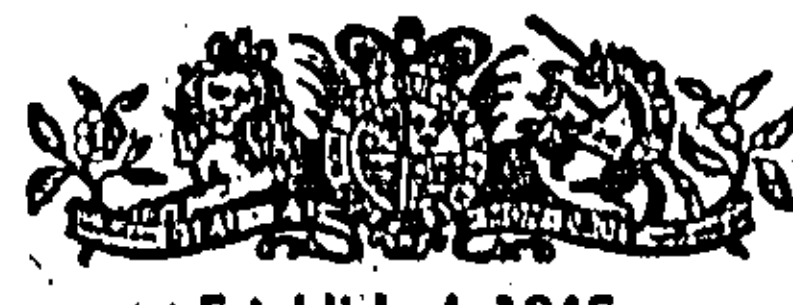




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Comment Of The Day

INTRANSIGENCE ON GERMANY

MR Khrushchev's declaration in Moscow yesterday will come as a shock to the West. Particularly those who, with the British Premier, Mr Harold Macmillan, have been the staunchest advocates of summit talks. It seems to vindicate Mr Eisenhower's reluctance to meet the Russians and while the future of Berlin and West Germany is not the only East-West problem calling for settlement, the West has now to make sure that it is not going to meet the same intransigence all along the line.

The Soviet Premier is forever stressing Russia's sincerity. But this is no guarantee that chasms separating East and West can be spanned. In fact before a summit meeting the West will want new evidence that some tangible result—other than complete failure—is assured. What has the uncompromising Mr Khrushchev to offer which can be reckoned a real contribution to world peace?

MR Khrushchev makes no bones about sacrificing German unity for the safety of the satellites in Eastern Europe. And he clearly shows his contempt for the scrawny scrap of Germany which Stalin managed to wrest from Hitler, and for the men who rule it under Moscow's guidance today. It will be noticed that the feelings of the people of East Germany count for nothing. The European satellites demand the division—and there is the end of the matter. And what kind of leaders are they who sanction this denial of freedom and who are content to accept a permanent division of their country? Surely only those who are clutching at straws.

MR Khrushchev should not forget history. Out of the frustrations of the Weimar Republic arose the Hitler dictatorship. The Rhineland and the Saar could not be separated from the German state. And while the Adenauer regime may be forced to accept the continued division of their country, the temptation for disgruntled Germans on both sides of the Iron Curtain to look back to the heyday of the Swastika, will grow more compelling and appealing. Particularly since its resurgence has recently been so strikingly demonstrated.

WHETHER Mr Khrushchev was expressing his own views to the Italian President, or is under pressure from a China incensed at the way East-West relations have improved in recent months, it is hard to tell. But either way, he leaves the West little alternative than to play the same diplomatic game. If Russia persists in refusing talks on Germany, the summit meeting can be postponed until the Soviet leaders are brought to realise that the West has no intention of accepting the permanence of the Iron Curtain anywhere. And that only the self-expression of the people of the European satellites is the paramount factor in determining how and by whom those countries should be ruled.

200 FLEE AS FLAMES ENGULF HILL HUTS

Frantic scream starts rush for safety

By A CHINA MAIL REPORTER

More than 200 people fled for their lives down a hillside when a giant sheet of flame swept through 21 squatter huts at Chai Wan this morning.

DESPERATE BID-TO HEAD OFF RAIL STRIKE

London, Feb. 9. The Government tonight tried to head off a nationwide rail strike which threatens to paralyse the nation.

A spokesman for the Ministry of Labour announced its chief industrial commissioner, Mr P. H. Wilson, will meet tomorrow with representatives of the National Union of Railwaymen whose 355,000 members threaten to walk out at midnight on Sunday unless they get a pay raise.

Tonight's Government announcement came as the nation braced for a crippling rail transport stoppage that would include London's enormous underground system.

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Several people had amazing escapes from death and injury as the fierce blaze fanned by a light wind raced through the huts within a matter of minutes. The fire started in No. 3 section of the village shortly after 9 am.

The alarm was raised by an old woman who dashed from her blazing hut situated at the top of the hill.

Hearing the woman's frantic screams the hut dwellers fled from their homes without even bothering to collect their possessions.

Within five minutes the entire hillside was burning fiercely.

153 homeless

Despite desperate attempts by villagers all the huts in the section were destroyed.

At one stage it was feared that the blaze may spread to a further section. However firemen from seven brigades which had rushed to the scene, brought the blaze under control.

It was later learned that 28 families or 153 people were made homeless.

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Why is any change needed?

QUEEN'S DECISION PUZZLES POLITICIANS

London, Feb. 9.

The Queen's decision to introduce the new royal surname of Mountbatten-Windsor has surprised and puzzled politicians.

MILLION TO ONE FREAK HAND

Texarkana, Feb. 9. When Maurice Silberberg retired a few years ago, he decided to take up contract bridge.

He started learning it just a few months ago.

Consequently, his wife and their bridge partners, Mr and Mrs Sam Lee, were startled when he made an opening bid of seven spades.

It was the last hand of the night. Mrs Lee, one of Silberberg's opponents threw down two aces and a king and told him he couldn't possibly make it.

Silberberg did make it, with ease. He had been dealt all 13 spades—a once in a lifetime, million to one shot hand.

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London, Feb. 9.

Yesterday many MPs were asking "Why is any change needed?"

And why it should be announced 30 or 40 years before any member of the Royal family may be directly affected?

The most widespread assumption was that definite advice had been extended to the Queen by the Mountbatten family.

It is known that she consulted Earl Mountbatten months ago.

QUESTIONS

Puzzled MPs might put down parliamentary questions to the Prime Minister due back from Africa on Monday.

It is hard to see how these could be ruled out of order since ministerial sources themselves insist that responsibility for the Queen's announcement rests with the Cabinet, not the Palace.

One thing that is clear is that reports that the Cabinet clashed on this matter are completely baseless.

It is understood that when Macmillan brought up the declaration in the Cabinet several weeks ago, he took the line that it was natural that Prince Philip, like any father should wish his descendants to bear his surname.

And the proposal went through virtually without comment.

The Queen's decision clearly was intended as a tribute to her husband, 38-year-old Prince Philip. Mountbatten was the name he adopted on relinquishing his Greek and Danish titles in 1947.

Both supporters and opponents of the Queen's move saw it, however, as a triumph for Philip's uncle, the 59-year-old Earl Mountbatten of Burma, Supreme Commander of British military forces.

The Earl's wife in his family name is well known. He has no son, now his name will be kept alive in the most royal possible fashion.

Yesterday, the left-leaning Daily Mirror, with more than four million circulation, demanded the whole issue be submitted to Parliament.

WARM AFFECTION

And Lord Beaverbrook's Evening Standard said today: "The warm affection in which the Queen is held will ensure that criticism is restrained. But it would have been far better if no occasion for controversy and criticism had been offered."

To these complaints the liberal Star replied with a six-column headline: "Leave the Queen Alone."

The Daily Mirror's objection to the name Mountbatten lay in its German origin.

Until 1917 the Mountbattens, descended like British royalty from Queen Victoria, had the German name Battenberg.

Earl Mountbatten's father, Prince Louis of Battenberg, was wounded from command of the British Navy in World War I because of his German name.

The family anglicised it to Mountbatten in 1917 at the same time as British royalty dropped all their German names and adopted Windsor.—London Express Service and AP.

Ballot boxes ambushed

Rangoon, Feb. 10.

Fresh elections have been ordered in some areas of Karen State after officials carrying ballot boxes to the polling office in Pann were ambushed, it was reported here today.—UPI.

3 POSSIBLE SITES FOR STEEL MILL

By A CHINA MAIL REPORTER

Hongkong and Japanese businessmen planning a \$22.5 million steel mill for the Colony are investigating three sites in the New Territories. Building of the mill is expected to begin in two months.

\$1 million for HK refugees

Qiso, Feb. 9. The Norwegian Refugee Council has decided to give Chinese refugees living in Hongkong 1.6 million kroner (HK\$1,320,000) and a half a million kroner (HK\$420,000) for transporting refugees from Hongkong to countries where they can settle down.—AP.

Protestant objection to pools

A body representing the majority of Protestant Churches in Hongkong has protested to Government about the introduction of football pools in Hongkong.

The Hongkong Christian Council Chairman, Mr S. C. Leung, has written to the Colonial Secretary, Mr Claude Burgess, saying:

"It was with deep regret that we learned from local newspapers that the Government was not unfavourable to football pools being organised and run in the Colony and was contemplating granting permission to do this."

GAMBLING FEVER

"The extent of the gambling fever and the evils to which it can lead is well known to the Government."

"The Government itself has enacted certain checks on unlimited gambling."

"It is therefore with surprise that we learn that the following football pools should be even considered."

"We trust that you will do your utmost to prevent permission being given by the Legislative Council or whatever other body is responsible."

The Roman Catholic Church view on pools is believed to be that there is nothing morally wrong with the idea, so long as a person taking part can afford it and causes no harm to his family or those for whom he is responsible.

Israel seeks heavy arms

Tel Aviv, Feb. 9. Israel is trying to obtain some types of heavy arms, especially armour, to match the United Arab Republic's offensive Russian armour.

Mr Shimon Peres, Deputy Defence Minister, revealed this today.

Mr Peres told a radio correspondent that a number of powers had turned down requests for these arms, and in future, Israel would have to rely for its arms supplies on European production plants—which required the consent of all members of the European community.

He said the Israeli arms industry had made considerable strides, especially in the production of shells and spare parts, including rockets in use by the air force, artillery, ammunition of all calibre and spare parts for armour and artillery.—Reuter.

Macmillan authorised documents in Eden memoirs

London, Feb. 9. Mr Harold Macmillan, the Prime Minister, authorised publication of official documents quoted in the memoirs of his predecessor, Sir Anthony Eden.

This was officially stated today.

Lord Home, Commonwealth Relations Secretary, told a Labour peer, Lord Silkin in the House of Lords that Sir Anthony submitted the text of his book to Mr Macmillan, through Sir Norman Brook, Secretary to the Cabinet.

Lord Silkin asked if the Prime Minister took into account "the mischief that might be done in our relations with the United States in the course of such publications." If so, was it not making supposing he had permitted publication.

Lord Home: "He took into consideration, no doubt, all the considerations, political and otherwise, which are relevant."

The memoirs, published recently in the London Times and the SCM Post in Hongkong, were often critical of actions by the United States in connection with the Indo-China settlement and with 1956 Anglo-French armed intervention at Suez.—Reuter.

Employment

"At least it will give more employment opportunities to the workers in Hongkong, besides making use of scrap iron to produce finished goods on the spot."

Mr Shih said the project has been six months in negotiation. "In September, Mr Ishida, Ishida, adviser of Fuji Iron and Steel Co. Ltd., arrived for preliminary discussions."

"And last Friday, Mr Ishida and Mr Satara Takushima, President of Sangyo Shinko Co. Ltd., of Tokyo, a subsidiary of Fuji, arrived for further talks."

Fuji Iron and Steel is one of the big three Japanese steel companies.

And the Chairman of the Board of the Hongkong Metal Enterprises Ltd., is the well-known retired Chinese general, Li-Ger Yang Chiu-woon, a Division Commander in the 19th Route Army, which frequently went into action against the Japanese during the Sino-Japanese war.

Dr Banda's release expected

Salisbury, Feb. 9. The release of Dr Hastings Banda is expected "any minute."

Orton Chirwa, President General of the Malawi African Congress, said this today.

Mr Chirwa, who described himself as a "careless" for the detained Congress leader, said from talks with Mr Iain Macleod, Colonial Secretary, and other British cabinet members "I gathered pressure was to be brought."

"We expect Dr Banda to be returned to Blantyre (Nyasaland)," he added.

HEAVY SEAS

While heavy seas pounded the tanker and ships and tugs raced to her aid, helicopters took off the first three crew members.

man said, "she's in real trouble. We will get the crew off first and then worry about the ship."

The Angelo Pet

NOTICE

THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, LIMITED

Forty-First Ordinary Yearly General Meeting

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly General Meeting of the Bank will be held at the Head Office of the Bank, 10, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong, on Saturday, the 20th day of February, 1960, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving and considering the Reports of the Directors and of the Auditors and the Profit and Loss Account and Balance Sheet for the year ended 31st December, 1959, and for the election of Directors and the appointment of Auditors.

The Register of Shares of the Bank will be closed from Wednesday, 10th February, 1960, to Saturday, 20th February, 1960 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board
KAN TONG PO
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 2nd February, 1960.

OFFICIAL NOTICE

Proposal to change a Ship's name

I, SUI-LOONG PAO of 19 Java Road, 2nd floor, Hongkong, hereby give notice that in consequence of change of ownership I have applied to the Minister of Transport and Civil Aviation under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the British steam ship CAPE NELSON of HONG KONG REGISTRY Official Number 168631 Gross tonnage 4813.77 tons, heretofore owned by The Marine Navigation Company Limited, 420 Marina House, Hongkong for permission to change her name to HAPPY SUNSHINE and to have her registered in the new name at the Port of HONG KONG as owned by The Sunshine Shipping Co. Ltd. 4 North Point Terrace, 2nd floor, Hongkong.

Any objection to the proposed change of name must be sent to the REGISTRAR OF SHIPPING at HONG KONG within SEVEN days from the appearance of this advertisement.

Dated at HONG KONG the 8th day of February 1960.

THE SUNSHINE SHIPPING Company Limited,

SUI-LOONG PAO
Director.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

At "CHANGTSE"
Arrived 9th February, 1960

Damaged cargo on this vessel will be surveyed by Messrs. Wood & Brown at Kowloon Godown at 12.00 a.m. on Friday, 12th and Saturday 13th February, 1960, and consignees representatives are requested to be present during survey.

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Aid to poor countries

London stocks erratic

London, Feb. 9. Good and bad news from next Monday's threatened rail strike negotiations caused an erratic stock market today which nevertheless managed to finish on a generally firm tone.

Steady rise in population sets a problem

Wall Street advances as prices attract

Giant oil tanker undergoes series of successful trials

U.S. attitude in airline talks

Silverware for luxury liners

EXAMPLES of silverware

Britain sets wool record

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Exchange rates

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LONDON

Labour forces emergency debate on Cyprus BRITAIN TO STAND FAST

'No room for give' Selwyn Lloyd states

London, Feb. 9. The Government tonight stood by its demands on the central issue of its Cyprus policy despite serious Labour criticism of "intransigence."

Mr Selwyn Lloyd, the Foreign Secretary, told an emergency debate in the House of Commons that there was "no room for give" in Britain's demands for 120 square miles of sovereign base area in an independent Cyprus.

This is about 80 square miles more than Archbishop Makarios, the Greek-Cypriot leader, is offering.

But Mr Denis Healey, Labour Party foreign affairs spokesman, leading the attack on the Government, said it might have to think of surrendering sovereignty in order to get Cyprus co-operation.

Such co-operation in regard to the bases was essential, he said.

The debate — after which there was no vote — was called by Labour after Mr Lloyd had reported on the breakdown of

Anglo-Cypriot talks in Cyprus yesterday aimed at securing independence for the island by March 19.

Mr Lloyd said it would be better to reach agreement before setting a new date for independence, now twice postponed. There was no breakdown in the overall negotiations.

Mr James Callaghan, Labour's colonial affairs spokesman, said the opposition was determined not to allow the Government to get itself into a cleft stick where, for reasons of prestige, it would have to go to Parliament and say negotiations had broken down and Cyprus would remain a colony.

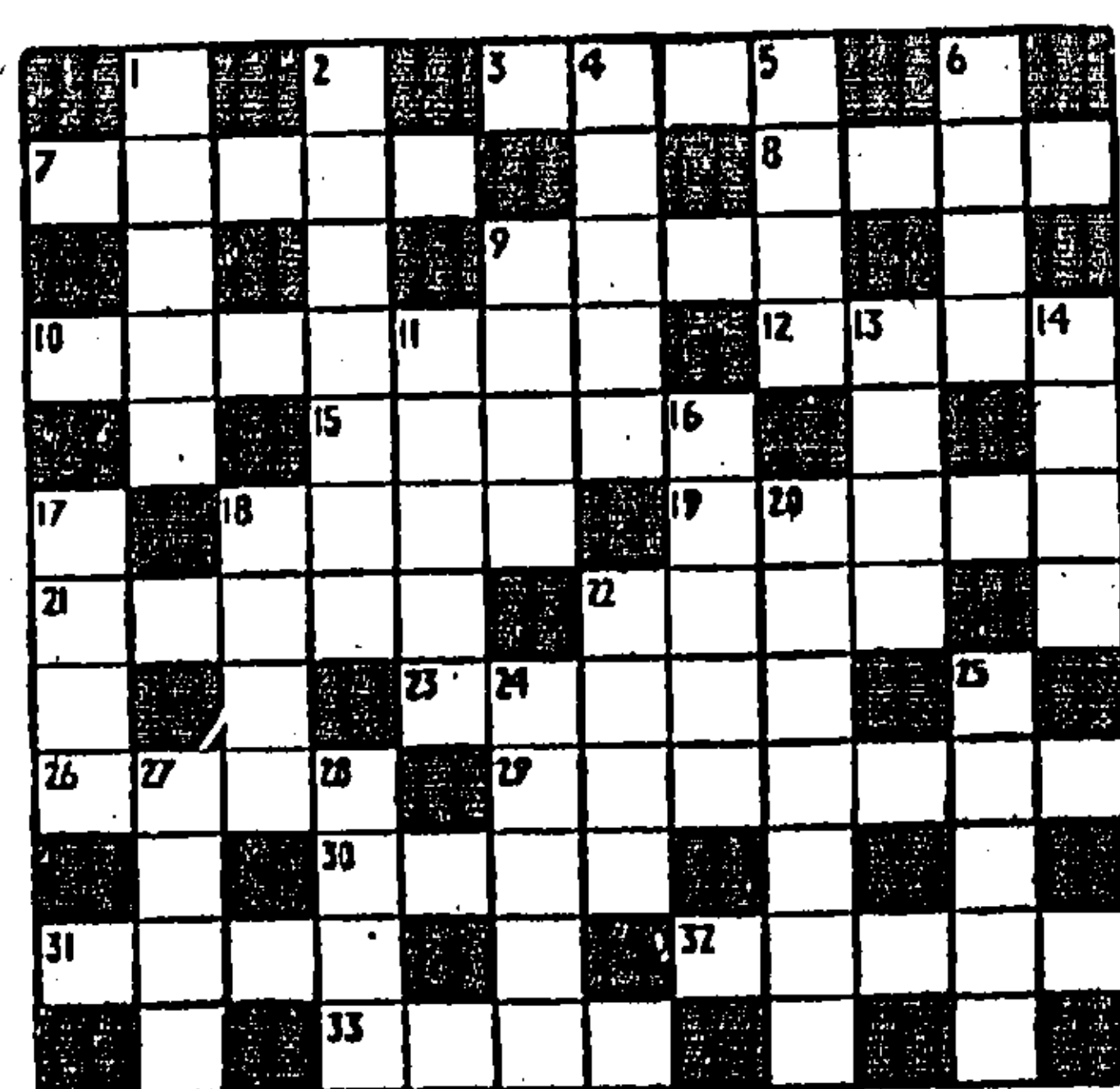
Storekeeper is boycotted

Livingstone, Feb. 9. An African storekeeper who had a drink in the Livingstone airport restaurant when Mr Harold Macmillan, British Prime Minister, arrived there last month is being boycotted by the African National Congress and the United National Independence Party.

Pickets outside his store in Libuyu African township are asking customers to return their purchases, and he said his daily takings had dropped from about £50 to £1.

Police are standing by in the township to maintain law and order. —China Mail Special.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Knave. (4)
 - Of less significance, dash it! (5)
 - It's never always one in five! (4)
 - Heavy part for a good actor? (4)
 - Singing bird, of course. (7)
 - Spot. (4)
 - Kipling's lady. (5)
 - Inclination to be crooked? (4)
 - College window. (5)
 - Worship. (5)
 - Back the favourites for promotion. (4)
 - Pry. (5)
 - Tariff in some nurseries. (4)
 - Short of rice in a cooking utensil? Serve fruit! (7)
 - Knock sharply. (4)
 - Minor drawback. (4)
 - Cotton king? (5)
 - End of a pool coupon. (4)
- DOWN**
- Fellow about 40 in Italy. (5)
 - The Sappers are not here! (5)
 - Wait for an offer with a letter. (4)
 - 50-camp bulb? (4)
 - The opposite of borrowed time? (4)
 - Covers inside. (5)
 - Plus up a cert. (4)
 - Yellow burden? (4)
 - A two-way blade, one might say. (5)
 - Serenity of feelings in medical men. (4)
 - In French good is nothing but a blessing. (4)
 - Feels discontent about some trees. (7)
 - Propitiatory gifts. (4)
 - Soldiers' good for nothing. (5)
 - God's fortune? (5)
 - Welsh? (4)
 - The language used in our outbars. (4)

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD — Across: 1 No-vice, 7 Epic, 9 Mulet, 10 Haven, 11 Aren, 13 Experiment, 16 Thug, 18 Iras, 19 Skip-parent, 22 Hike, 24 Heron, 25 A-B-D-I-E, 26 Bowl, 27 Rising, Down: 2 Ox-lip, 3 Inter, 4 Exhume, 5 Leverator, 6 Fine, 8 Perth, 12 August, 13 Edit, 14 Eastern, 17 As-Kew, 18 Opener, 20 A-mass, 21 E-M D-en, 23 A-hoy.



The 11th International Gifts and Fancy Goods Show was opened in Blackpool last week by the Duchess of Gloucester. The oldest item on show is a dagger that costs three guineas — a dagger in mink. Picture shows the Duchess of Gloucester taking a close look at a nautical nutcracker. —Express Photo.

Freedom date for Trotsky's killer

By PETER VANE

New York, Feb. 9.

THE date has been fixed for the release from prison of Jacques Mornard, the notorious assassin who killed exiled Bolshevik leader Leon Trotsky with an ice axe in Mexico in 1940. Mornard will step out of Mexico City jail on August 17 — just three days short of the 20th anniversary of Trotsky's death.

An official of Mexico's Ministry of Information gave me the date over the telephone. He would say nothing more.

But it was expected that Mornard will be smuggled out of the prison and driven straight to the airport.

For the Mexican authorities do not want him to stay in Mexico after serving his 20-year sentence.

Mystery man

Where will Mornard go? No one knows. It is one more mystery attached to the man whose nationality, real name, age, and exact political affiliations have never been proved.

Another mystery is the real reason why he killed Trotsky — who became Stalin's arch enemy after they had quarrelled. Mornard's own explanation was that he was "a disillusioned Trotskyite."

But Mexican detectives said he was acting on the orders of Stalin. Now the Mexican authorities fear a revenge attack on Mornard once he is released.

Mornard's 20 years in jail have not been hard. He gets regular cash remittances from an unknown person on the outside.

Each Sunday he receives the Mexican woman he calls his wife in a private room in the "guest-house" division of the prison.

Under Mexico's lenient, "conjugal visit" regulation prisoners are allowed to spend several hours alone with their wives every week.

Mornard met the woman, Roquelma Mendoza, 10 years ago when she was visiting a relative at the prison. Since then she has regularly visited him.

She has made only one comment on his release. "Jacques may go to Russia," she said.

But if Mornard is an old-style Communist who killed Trotsky on Stalin's orders, would he be welcome in Khrushchev's Russia? That is the big question that will be answered in August.

—(London Express Service).

DISC JOCKEY'S ADMISSION

Washington, Feb. 9.

A former Cleveland, Ohio, disc jockey who was dismissed on payola (bribery) charges admitted today that he received more than \$12,800 (\$4,600) over a two-year period from gramophone record distributors.

However, the ex-disc jockey, Joseph Finan, said that in only one instance did he agree to play a certain firm's records on his programme in exchange for payments.

He told a congressional subcommittee that in the other cases he agreed to give "special consideration" to certain record labels.

He explained this as "agreeing to watch for certain labels

among the huge mass of records arriving each week" at Cleveland radio station KYW, which dismissed him on December 3.

He said that when he spotted the label of a firm with which he had an agreement, he would listen to it and if he liked it he would play it on his programme, but if he did not like it he would not play it. —AP.

Helicopter crash

New York, Feb. 9. A U.S. Marine Corps helicopter with 10 aboard crashed at sea last night off Vieques, Puerto Rico. A spokesman said one naval officer was killed and four other persons were injured, two critically. —AP.

Souvenir from Waterloo

London, Feb. 9.

The saw used to amputate the right leg of Lord Uxbridge, British cavalry commander at the Battle of Waterloo, has been presented to the National Army Museum at Sandhurst.

The saw was presented by Rear Admiral James Powell, a great-grandson of the army surgeon who carried out the operation in 1815.

Lord Uxbridge's leg, shattered in the battle, was later buried in a garden at Waterloo, in Belgium. A monument erected over it is still visited by tourists.

Lord Uxbridge later became the first Marquis of Anglesey and Lord Lieutenant of Ireland.

His sister published in a collection of letters a letter from his aide-de-camp describing the amputation with the saw.

"He never moved or complained. No one even held his hands. He said once quite calmly that he thought the instrument was not very sharp." —China Mail Special.

Tea tasting marathon

New York, Feb. 9.

Seven top American tea experts today began a three-day tasting and sniffing marathon to select what was called the "highest standard in the world" for the 108 million lb. of imported tea that annually enters the country.

Americans drink 30,000 million cups of tea each year. Most of the imported tea comes from India, Ceylon and Indonesia. —China Mail Special.

AIR CHIEFS CLASH IN LIBEL CASE

London, Feb. 9.

Evidence was concluded in the High Court today in an action brought by Air Vice-Marshal William Ernest Staddon who alleges he was libelled in the book "Pathfinder" by Air Vice-Marshal Donald Bennett. Australian-born Air Vice-Marshal Bennett formed the British Pathfinder Squadrons which led the bombers on operations in World War II.

Air Vice-Marshal Staddon contends that references in the book to meetings between the two men were invented to smear his reputation.

Defendant denies defamation and pleads that what he wrote was true.

WORE SHORTS

Giving evidence today Air Vice-Marshal Bennett said that in 1940 he was appointed flying superintendent of the Atlantic Ferry Organisation under the British Ministry of Aircraft Production.

When plaintiff reported to his office in Montreal he was wearing shorts, which were not the correct dress.

"I told him to go away and come back properly dressed," the defendant added. "We had an altercation. He made it clear he was a senior Royal Air Force officer. He considered himself important. Independent of civilians and red tape."

"In the course of the discussion I had to use threats to put him back on the ship if he didn't toe the line. That was a standard formula for anyone who did not. It was used frequently but happily not carried out."

When they met again at Leamington air base, Yorkshire, plaintiff "certainly knew him" again. "He was emphatic that I was the commanding officer of the squadron and he was the commanding officer of the whole station."

A CATCHPHRASE

Defendant continued: "He used the catchphrase 'I am the only cock that crows on this muckheap.' I don't think he meant it of his station. Indeed I am quite sure he would not. He used the catchphrase as an expressive and exact way of summing up the situation."

Cross-examined by Mr Colin Duncan, defendant agreed that his experience was mostly with civilian flying. He had eight or nine years with the Royal Air Force; Air Vice-Marshal Staddon's service career was for most of his adult life.

Air Vice-Marshal Bennett said he thought "healthy and frank comment" the best possible thing for any service. He did not think the references in his book put Air Vice-Marshal Staddon in "a ridiculous light."

He had frequently had more maddening things said about himself.

The hearing was adjourned until tomorrow. —China Mail Special.

Large amount of coins

Shabani, Feb. 9.

The two city-taught sons of an aged African from a reserve near Shabani, Southern Rhodesia, took their father to the local agent of a building society recently.

The three of them walked into the office carrying a battered suitcase containing an assortment of coins. A few hours later the counter clerk announced the total, £800.

The old man told the building society that his sons had persuaded him to invest the money rather than hoard it at home. —AP.

Swift action

Algiers, Feb. 9.

Robert Schmeick newly installed public prosecutor for Algeria today lodged swift, firm and impartial judicial action against those responsible for last month's rioting in Algiers. —AP.

Unruly crowd spoils Billy Graham meeting

Enugu, Feb. 9.

Near chaos threatened to break up Billy Graham's first public meeting at Enugu stadium last night.

One section of the 24,000 Nigerians assembled in the tightly packed stadium pressed forward for a better view of the American evangelist, trampling on elderly women and children.

The welcome address by the Premier of the eastern region, Dr Michael Okpara, was drowned by their screams and the general commotion by the unruly congregation.

Many left the stadium before Graham delivered his sermon because the loud-speaker system was not working properly.

Graham pleaded with the crowd for 15 minutes but was not heard by the majority. Order was finally restored by Cliff Barrows, Graham's song leader. —AP.

Spate of fires in UK

London, Feb. 9.

Fires in Britain today caused the death of a Liverpool man and forced more than 20 others to flee from their homes.

Firemen, wearing breathing apparatus, forced their way into the home of 83-year-old John Jones and found his clothes ablaze. He died before reaching hospital.

It was Liverpool's third early morning fire fatality in less than 48 hours. An elderly couple died in a bedroom blaze at their home on Sunday morning.

A mother rescued her five children from two blazing bedrooms and fled into the street in another Liverpool fire today.

In London, 12 people, including four babies, rushed to safety when fire swept the top floor of their house during the night.

Shortly afterwards London firemen rescued a man and woman trapped in the upper rooms of a public house.

Two Surrey families were forced to leave their homes while firemen battled flames. —China Mail Special.

Sir Anthony leaves St. Vincent

Kingstown, Feb. 9.

Former British Prime Minister Sir Anthony Eden said today he had recently suffered another attack of fever.

He said this as he and Lady Eden left by plane for nearby Antigua Island, continuing their Caribbean vacation.

"My wife and I have spent some delightful weeks here in St. Vincent," he said. "Nothing could have been more friendly or more thoughtful than your welcome to us and we have enjoyed every moment of our stay. Unfortunately towards the end I succumbed to another of those fevers which I have to undergo from time to time and it resulted in my having to leave here a few days late. Good luck to you all and we hope to visit you again some day." —AP.

India disputes Chinese claims

New Delhi, Feb. 9.

The Indian Government has accused the Chinese of claiming larger and larger chunks of Indian territory on recent Chinese maps.

The Government is going to put on public sale in a few days an atlas of the northern part of India. It contains 39 maps selected to support India's case in the dispute with China over 5,000 square miles of Himalayan border territory.

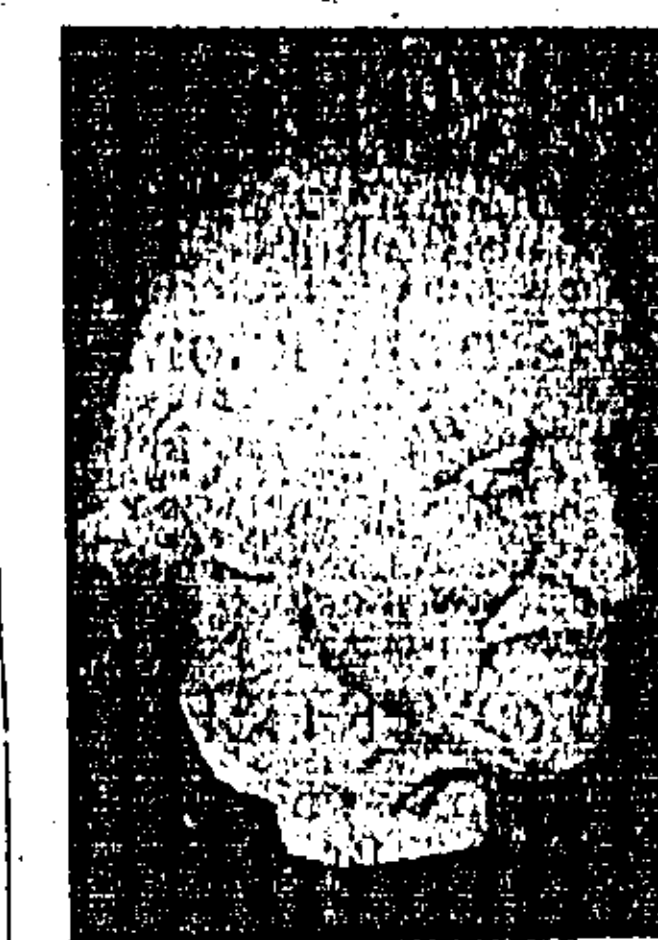
A foreword dated January 15 says the atlas is a "representative collection of maps from which it will be clear that the northern frontier of India as shown on official Indian maps is the traditional boundary between India and China. Official and unofficial Indian, Chinese, British, French and German maps have been showing that boundary alignment for many years past." —Associated Press.

Red Dean as defence witness in German trial

Dusseldorf, Feb. 9.

The Dean of Canterbury, Dr Howlett Johnson, appeared here today in the trial of six members of the West German "Peace Committee."

They are charged with endangering the state and with mem-



DR JOHNSON

bership of an anti-constitutional organisation.

In the trial which started last year the prosecution alleged that the "Peace Committee" acted as a front organisation of the Communist Party, banned in West Germany.

Eighty-six-year-old Dr Johnson was allowed to remain seated while he testified under oath.

CHRISTIAN PRINCIPLES

He told the court through an interpreter that there were Communists among the members of the International peace movement, but he added: "I am glad about this because they work for it not on orders from the party but as friends of peace." The aims of the peace movement were in line with Christian principles, he said.

The Dean told the court he did not know personally any one of the six accused, who include two former Protestant ministers, but he said he sympathised with their efforts to soothe through the West German "Peace Committee" and the "World Peace Council" — that international dispute would in future be settled through negotiations and not through war.

Dr Johnson flew here for the second time to testify in a trial. Last week he came only to learn that the hearings had been postponed due to sudden illness of the public prosecutor. —Reuters.

MP fears spread of radioactive sand

London, Feb. 9.

Mr Robert Allan, British Foreign Under Secretary, today rejected a suggestion that Britain should make representations to France about the danger of radioactive sand reaching Malta when France exploded her atom bomb.

Mr Allan told the House of Commons that Mr Jules Moch, French disarmament expert, had said in the United Nations that experts agreed there was no wind towards south, west or north which could carry anything 800 miles from the Sahara site.

Malta was 1,800 miles from the French site, he added. He was answering Mr Stan Aubrey (Labour) who said he had sent details to the Foreign Secretary of evidence that wind blowing from the Sahara would carry sand to Malta.

Mr Aubrey asked if the Foreign Secretary would "make the necessary representations and take steps to prevent this danger spreading to British territories." —Reuters.

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 By Surface
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 By Air
 China, People's Republic, 7 a.m.
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 Burma, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, Great Britain & Europe, Noon.
 Japan, 2 p.m.
 Philippines, Guam, Australia, New Zealand, and Fiji, 2 p.m.
 Okinawa, Korea, 6 p.m.
 Formosa, 6 p.m.
 By Surface
 China, People's Republic, 7 a.m.
 Macao, 1 p.m.
 North Borneo, 3 p.m.
 E. Africa (N. & S. Rhodesia & Nyasaland, parcels via Beira), 3 p.m.
 Macao, 4 p.m.
 Macao, 6 p.m.

FILMS AND NIGHT SPOTS

FILMS
KINO'S & PRINCESS: "Tempest," starring Silvana Mangano, Van Heflin, Geoffrey Home.
HOOVER: "The Face of the Cat," starring Francois Arnoul and Bernard Wicki.
GALA: "Never So Few," starring Frank Sinatra, Gina Lollobrigida and Peter Lawford.
ROXY & BROADWAY: (At 2.30, 5.30, 7.30 and 9.45) "Seven Thieves," starring Edward G. Robinson, Rod Steiger, Joan Collins and Eli Wallach.
LEE & ASTOR: "Follow Talk," starring Rock Hudson and Doris Day.
ROYAL: Walt Disney's "Sleeping Beauty."
STATE & RITZ: "A Summer Place," starring Sandra Dee.
QUEEN'S: "MAGNETIC," "AI Capone," starring Rod Steiger and Ray Spaul.
CARFOLLO: "Les Colégiennes," starring Christine Carère.
PARAMOUNT: "Shogun: The Last Samurai," starring Toshiro Mifune.

STAR: "Stranger On The Prowl," starring Paul Muni and Joan Loring.
METROPOLE: "Sister Long Legs."
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BURNED LIPS FOR MASTER



Pavement was "too hot"

Sydney, Feb. 9.
 A blind man had to carry his "seeing-eye" dog during last week's heatwave when scorching-hot pavement.

It all happened when Kaska, a black Labrador, was out walking with her blind master, Harold Norris, a 24-year-old mechanic.

"It was lunchtime at the factory where I work, so I decided to take a stroll," said Mr Norris.

"Suddenly she began to nuzzle against my leg.

"I could sense that something was wrong.

"She was lifting her feet high off the ground, so I bent down and felt the pavement.

"It was boiling—too hot for her even to stand.

"I picked her up—she weighs 60lb—and found my way back to the factory."

AFFECTED
 Mr Norris bathed Kaska's tender feet in cold water (see picture).

"She was so badly affected by the heat I had to leave her at home the next day," he said.

Mr Norris has owned the Perth-trained dog for two months.

She is 20 months old.

"And I've walked more miles since I got her than I had in my life before," he said.

"She's a wonderful dog, and deserves all the kindness I can show her."

BY THE WAY
 by Beachcomber

TALKING of noise abatement, I notice that to abate the noise of a tenor who was practicing a morceau of Wagner a neighbour turned on his radio at full pitch.

When that sort of thing falls another neighbour should bring a tin can with a hammer. This will lead someone else to encourage a large dog to bark its head off, which will lead someone else to shout abuse at the top of his voice, which will lead someone else to sound a motor-horn ceaselessly, which will lead someone else to let off fireworks, which will lead someone else to play the trombone. All this noise will be finally abated by a low-flying jet-plane.

But no tin
 CAUTIONOUSLY milked by a chemist the other day, Pride of Wales yielded about a gallon of an entirely new kind of unturned milk. It was brown in colour, smelt like burned rubber, and tasted like sour demersons. This beverage the chemist pronounced to be powerfully nutritious, though without any pronounced appeal to the discerning milk-drinker. The cow shows no ill effects, save for a tendency to lie on her back and wave her feet in the air. A cup of tea with this milk added to it became red-hot and burnt.

Short story
SIR ALFRED BODPOT, chairman of the 134 companies, had never succeeded in losing his cockney accent. To celebrate a take-over bid he gave a party at his castle in Scotland. He dressed himself as a Highland chieftain, and, at a prearranged moment during dinner, cried to his head butler: "Angus, bring in the pipers." Angus had a mulcous sense of humour, and was sick to death of all this footery, and returned for a moment with a pipers, which he laid before his humiliated master.

(London Express Service).

Mel Charles in 'Last Supper' painting

By John Rydon

London, Feb. 9.
 Famous faces in sport and the theatre will appear on a 17 ft. by 7 ft. canvas of The Last Supper now being painted by 27-year-old Andrew Vicari.

Italian-born Mr Vicari who lives in Cardiff plans to paint 20-year-old **OLEM THOMAS**, the former Welsh Rugby captain, as Christ.

MEL CHARLES, aged 24, the £40,000 Arsenal and Wales Soccer star, will be depicted as the Disciple John.

The model for Matthew will be wild Welsh comedian **HARRY SECORRE**.

Mr Vicari hopes to finish the painting in two months. Other well-known people who will sit for him include 31-year-old film actor **STANLEY BAKER** as Thomas; 23-year-old **ALAN WILLIAMS**, son of playwright Emlyn Williams as James; **ALAN HODDINOTT**, 30-year-old Welsh composer, as another of the Disciples.

SHIRT-SLEEVES

Mr Vicari said the other day: "I plan to paint Christ and the Disciples wearing modern dress, seated round a table in their shirt-sleeves."

"There will be lots of good food and drink on the table and I may have the whole scene in an exterior setting."

"But I've been having trouble in getting someone to sit as Jesus. Few people would like to take this role, but I regard him as the first intellectual, the



MEL CHARLES
 One of the Disciples

first artist, the first man who rebelled."

What do Mr Vicari's "models" think about their roles in what surely must be one of the most controversial pictures of the year?

Said Stanley Baker, speaking from his London film studio: "It doesn't move me at all religiously. I admit it is a bit unusual, but I shall rather enjoy the experience."

And Mel Charles: "I shall be quite happy to sit for Mr Vicari. I don't mind admitting that I don't go to church every Sunday, but I shall certainly sit for him if he wants me to."

Harry Secorre said from his theatre dressing-room: "Matthew? I haven't really given it much thought. But I admire Vicari—I think he's a very sincere person and I'm sure he will treat the whole subject with sincerity—so I'm not against the idea at all."

Asked how he felt about posing for the figure of Christ, Clem Thomas replied: "I am not absolutely happy in my mind about being painted in this way—its quite different, you know. But all I can say at this moment is that I have just not made up my mind yet."

(London Express Service).

BIBLE THOUGHT FOR TODAY

Behold how good and how pleasant a thing it is for brethren to dwell together in unity.—Psalm 133:1.

It is also well to remember that brotherhood is not limited to blood relations. If God is our Father we have a great many brethren.

Press-Radio Bible Service, Inc Cincinnati, Ohio.

British newsletter from Peter Burgoyne

Drastic action needed to curb traffic chaos

London (By Airmail).
 The sooty, declamatory hand of William Ewart Gladstone pointed across at the underground station where a poster boasted "It's quicker by Tube."

On his plinth above the snarled-up traffic in the East End the great Victorian looked incredulous. With good reason. February 1, 1960. The day the Underground workers of London struck for a large slice of them — struck. In defiance of their leaders, the National Union of Railwaymen. In protest at the delay in producing a review of their structure which they hoped — would bring them into economic line with other workers.

All but totally deprived of its principal computer system London's traffic experts said the metropolis had never known anything like it before.

To make things worse rain fell in torrents as hundreds of thousands of shop and office workers began the evening trudge back to the suburbs. Wet and harassed policemen did a man-size job in directing the greatest traffic surge in London's history through streets that were inadequate even for horse-drawn traffic.

To sopping, hopeless crowds around bus stops, London Transport's winoson, exhortation to "Keep On A Bus" was a sour, sour joke. Exasperated passengers abandoned traffic — locked buses and taxis and began to walk, adding to the confusion as they spilled off the crowded pavements and linked among the fuming traffic.

Even the cattle-truck conditions of normal rush-hour on the Underground seemed a far more golden dream.

Next morning the Underground crews were back at work. It all might never have happened.

But London was left with a sour and insistent reminder of the traffic chaos of February 1, the more perceptive saw, was no more than a foretaste of what inevitably lay in store for London unless a something drastic was done to cope with the ever-ballooning traffic problem.

Premier Harold Macmillan's "Heed the wind of change" speech to the South African parliament has confirmed his reputation here as "the great unflappable."

It was not the first time the decently-languid tenant of 10 Downing Street had so confounded his critics.

The pattern was the same. The seeming side-stepping of a course of action being thrust at him by his critics. The soft answers which, far from turning away wrath, seem only to stoke it. Then, in the event, Mr Macmillan strikes more boldly, more trenchantly than his critics could have dreamed. They are made to look foolish, all too more so because the Tory leader never turns back to their earlier attacks.

This time Harold Macmillan showed courage as well as im-



Producer/director/actor John Wayne has poured £4 million in the making of the Western epic, "The Alamo," in which he plays Colonel Davy Crockett. But Wayne has put something beside his money into his film — his family. For also acting in the film are his wife Pilar, daughter Toni, 21, and Alamo, 16, and son Pat, 22. For good measure, his eldest son Michael, 25, acted as his executive assistant. Picture shows Wayne, daughter Alamo, and actor Chill Wills on location.—Express Photo.

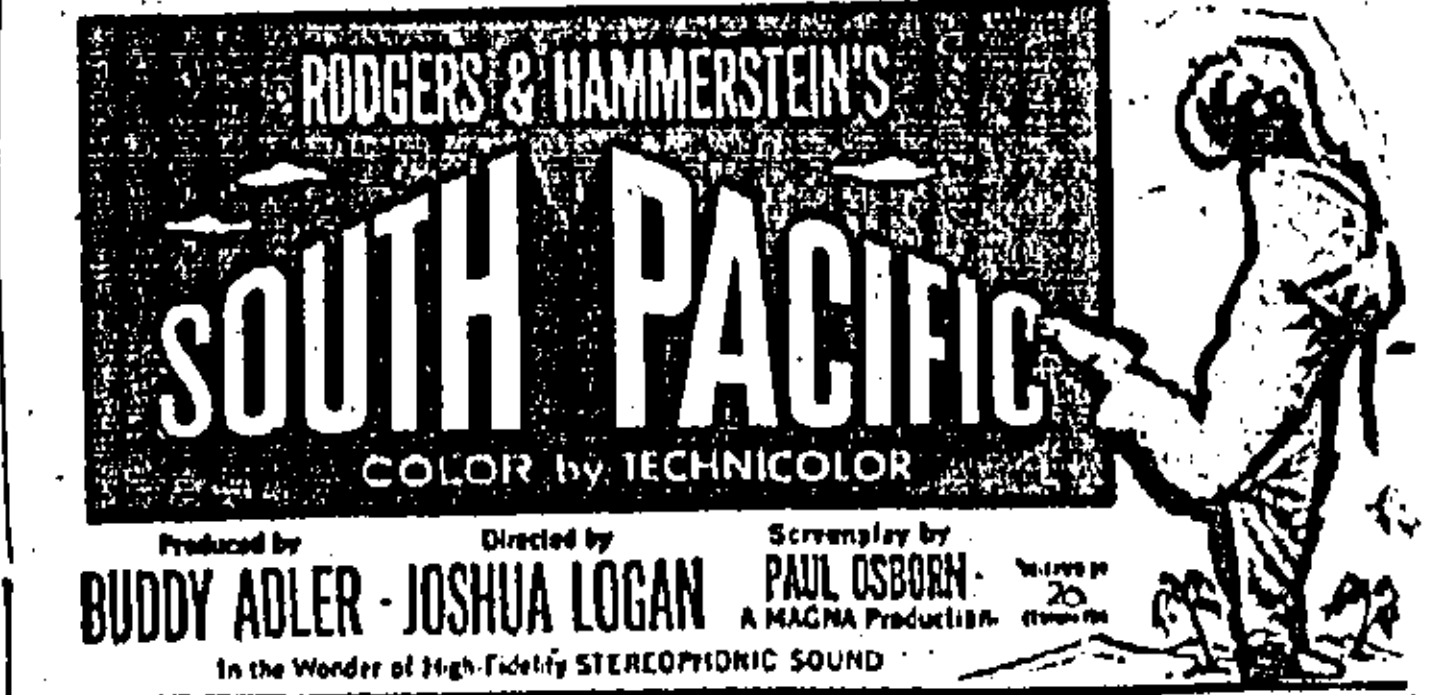
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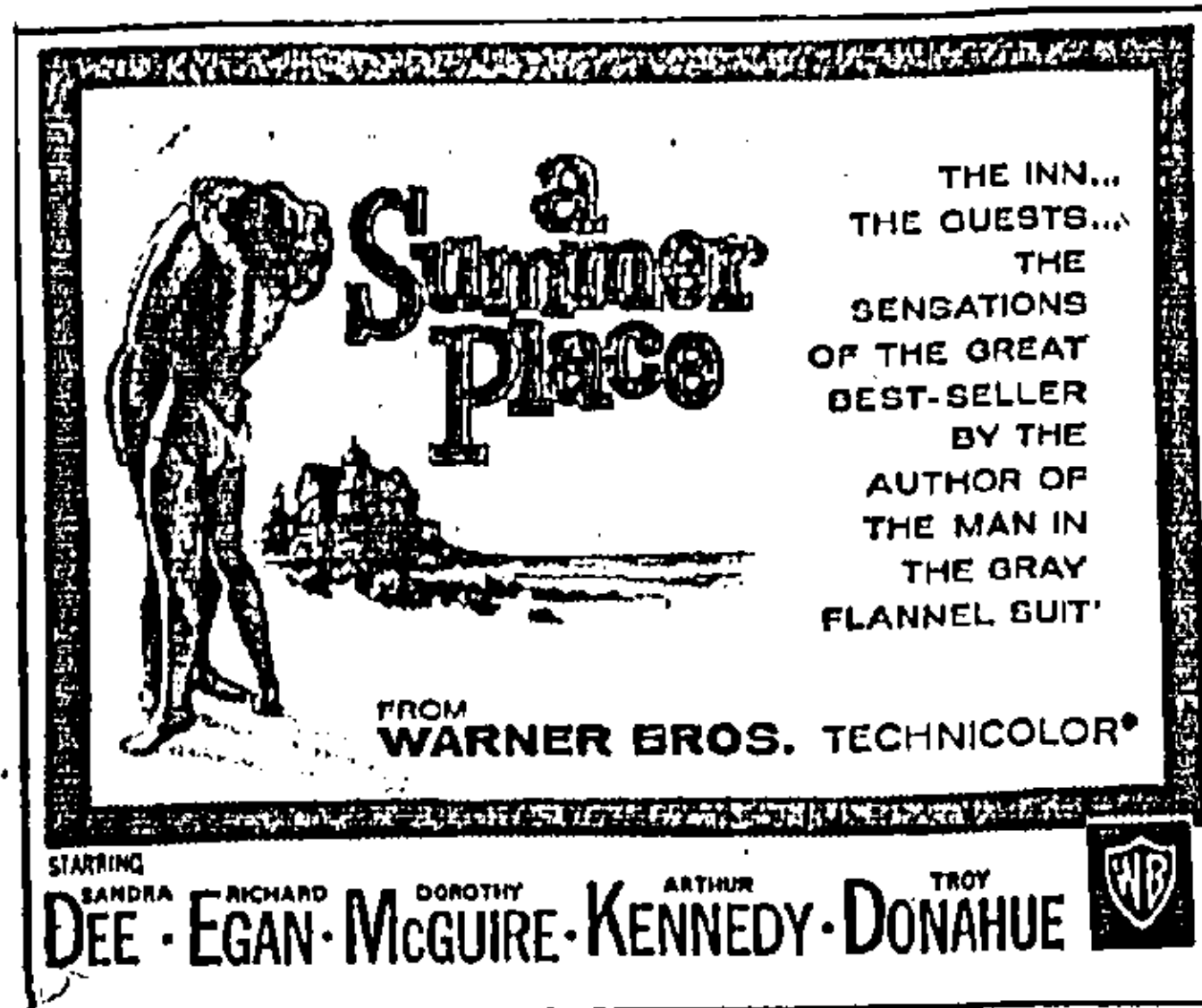
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FABULOUS DIAMOND UP FOR AUCTION AT SOTHEBYS

London, Feb. 9.
A fabulous pink diamond which has caused excitement among dealers in Britain, the United States and Europe will be sold by auction at Sothebys here on March 17.

FREEDOM WITH THE PRESS

New York, Feb. 9.
What to do with your old newspapers? Feed them to the cattle, the Wall Street Journal suggests today.
Nutritionally, the publication says, newspapers are similar to hay. They contain 80 per cent cellulose. The bacteria in a cow's stomach breaks down the newspaper into a digestible form of starch, it adds.
The Journal notes that in Scandinavian countries, farmers already feed cattle with newspapers. And it says American researchers are experimenting with a pelleted cattle feed made from newspaper, vitamins and minerals.
Thus today's newspapers may yield tomorrow's beef steaks.—AP.

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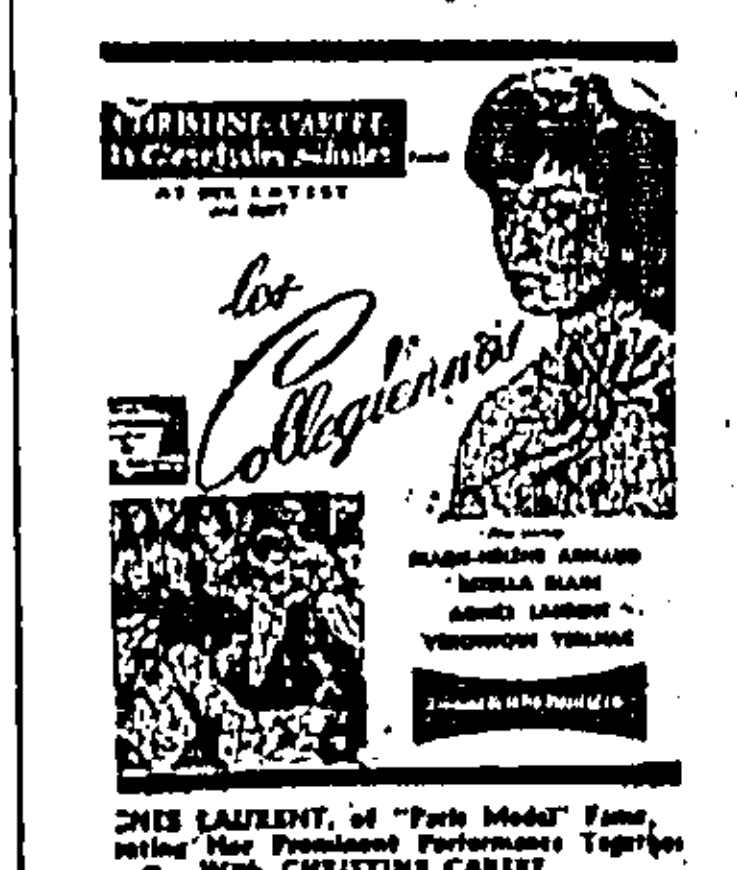
London, Feb. 9.
The Government today named Mr. R. H. M. Thompson to lead the British delegation to the 10th session of the Economic Conference of Asia and the Far East opening in Bangkok on March 8.
Mr. Thompson is a Parliamentary Under-Secretary at the Commonwealth Relations Office.—AP.

Strike ends

Southampton, Feb. 9.
An unofficial strike of 150 workers at the International Synthetic Rubber Co. factory near here has been settled.
The strikers agreed to return to work after a walkout lasting several hours. The strike started as a protest over employment on maintenance work at the 20 million plant of contractors men during the weekend, instead of regular staff members.—China Mail Special.

CAPITOL

TO-DAY
At 2.30, 5.30, 7.30 & 9.30 p.m.



To-morrow Morning Show At 12.30 p.m.
GARY GRANT in "KISS THEM FOR ME"

METROPOLE

TO-DAY
At 2.30, 5.30, 7.30 & 9.30 P.M.
LIN TSUI YEH FUNG in



Weighing 34.04 carats it is considered priceless because no rare gem of its size or colour has ever appeared on the market before.
Diamond experts say it is the only pink diamond in existence today and cautiously estimate its value at £70,000.
But a spokesman for the famed London auction said today it would be impossible to estimate what price a dealer or collector would pay because of its rarity.

Little known

Little is known of the stone's history but it is believed to have come from the famous Golconda mine in India and may have been part of a fabulous collection of an Indian Maharaja.

The owner of the diamond is not known by Sothebys although the spokesman said that a British agent was acting in his or her interests.
The Golconda mine, famed for the purity of its gem stones, has also produced the Koh-i-Noor, the Great Mogul and the Ill-fated Hope diamond owned by American diamond-king Harry Winston.

But none of these stones is a pink diamond, considered one of the rarest of gem stones.

Only comparison

The only known stone to compare with it is the pink diamond presented to the Queen—then Princess Elizabeth—in 1947 by the late Dr John Williamson of Tunganyika, a Canadian-born bachelor who was reputed to be one of the richest men in the world.

The diamond, originally 84 carats but cut to 23.6 carats, was contained in a brooch. Before it was cut, its value was estimated at several hundred thousand pounds.—China Mail Special.

Englishmen spend more on clothes

London, Feb. 9.
The secretary of the British Wholesale Clothing Manufacturers' Federation, Mr. M. K. Reid, believes that by 1970 John Bull—the average Englishman—will be the best-dressed man in the world.
Mr. Reid said that the Englishman had at last shaken off his "couldn't-care-less-about-his-appearance" attitude and by the end of the present decade would wear the proud tag of "Mr Dandy."
The manufacturers are emphatic that their views are not wishful thinking but are based upon returns from the shops which show clearly that men are now spending more on their clothes than ever before, Mr. Reid added.—China Mail Special.

Architect dies

London, Feb. 9.
Sir Giles Gilbert Scott, well-known British architect, died today at the age of 70, it was announced.
His work included a large number of public buildings in London, including the new House of Commons, the Battersea power plant, and the new Waterloo Bridge. He directed the restoration work of the Guildhall, badly damaged during World War II.—AP.

THE LAZY ANSWER

London, Feb. 9.
A BRITISH Broadcasting Corporation radio producer has been swamped with replies to a request he made for lazy people to appear on one of his programmes.

Premising complete secrecy if they would explain why they were so lazy, Mr. David Thompson said at the time he felt he would not get many replies.
"People will just be too lazy to write in," he added. But now he is ready to call a halt. Replies have come in not only from all over Britain but from the United States, Germany and Italy.

"For every man who's written," he said, "I've had two letters from women—some confessing their own laziness, others accusing their husbands and sons." One man wrote simply "I'm lazy" followed by his signature.

But in another case, Mr. Thompson said, he went to Wales to interview an applicant.

"He turned out to be a minor, doing one of the toughest jobs there is. He thought himself lazy because he doesn't do as many extra shifts as some of his pals," he said.—China Mail Special.

No dog racing for Jamaica

Kingston, Feb. 9.
There will be no dog racing in Jamaica—at least during the tenure of the present Government.

Last year a company with British and United States interests was formed to start greyhound racing and a former cricket ground was acquired for the purpose. But the move met with opposition from certain quarters, mainly religious.

Today, the Trade Minister Mr. Wills Isaacs, directed the Board of Trade under a 1955 law not to grant licences for import of dogs and racing equipment. Greyhounds are not bred here.—AP.

Fowey's last voyage

Southampton, Feb. 9.
The Empire Fowey, 10,121 tons, left Southampton today on her last voyage as a troopship in Government service, taking nearly 400 Servicemen and families to Cyprus.
When she returns she will be offered for sale by the Ministry of Transport. The 25-year-old ship was formerly the German passenger liner Potsdam and was taken over by Britain after the war.—China Mail Special.

Berne, Feb. 9.
Swiss schoolchildren singing and ringing cowbells today welcomed Field Marshal Viscount Montgomery when he arrived at Muerren by train from Gstaad for a two-week visit.
He attended a ski-jumping competition at Gstaad.—China Mail Special.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

We take pleasure in announcing the exhibition of the first-run Japanese pictures, the first of which is to present a Gala Premiere of "UTAMARO", a Daisai picture in Daisai Agfa Color and DaisaiScope, on Friday, 12th Feb., at 9.30 p.m. The regular run of the picture will be commencing Saturday, 13th Feb. We have selected all the super productions from Daisai Motion Picture Co., Ltd. and Toho Co., Ltd., which will be showing at this theatre afterwards continuously. (With superimposed English & Chinese sub-titles on every picture.) The admission prices will be as follows:

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FINAL SHOWING TO-DAY

Owing to length of picture please note change of times:

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AT THE ROXY: Owing to installation of the Ultra-big Screen there will be no 2.30 & 5.20 p.m. shows to-day. The 7.30 & 9.40 p.m. shows are as usual.

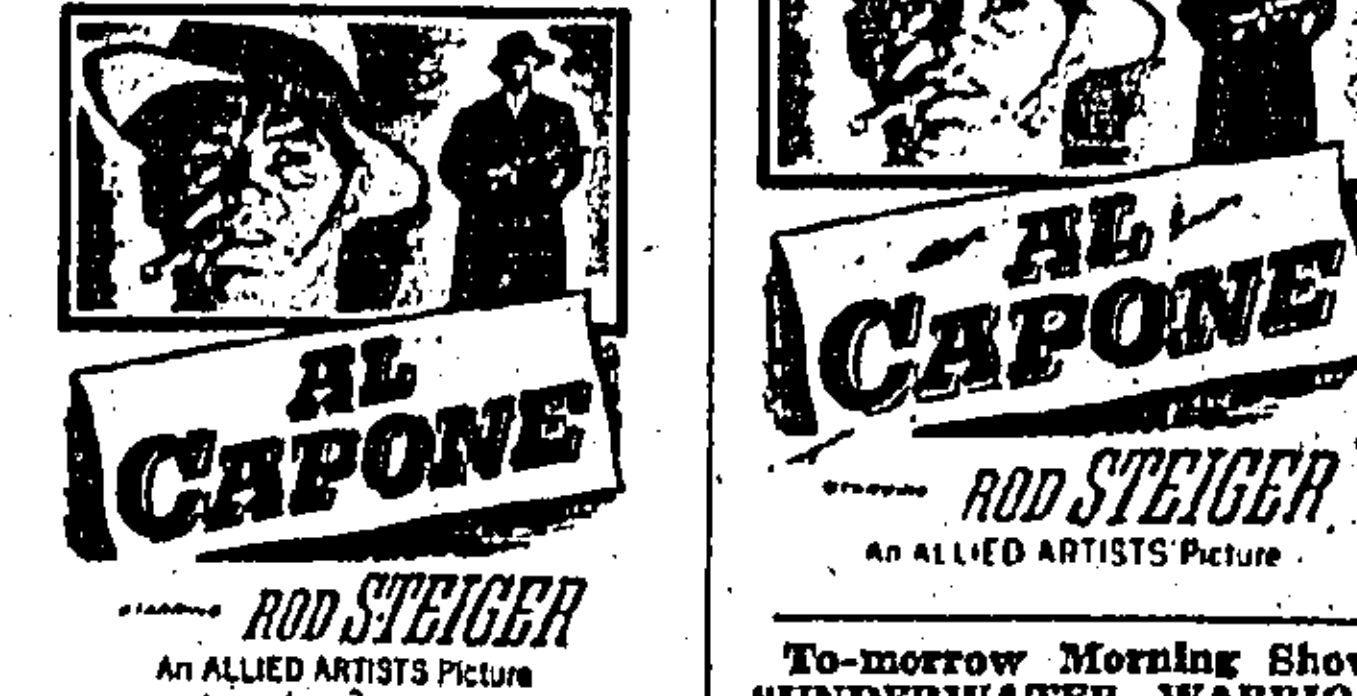


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... FINE POLICE, INDEED!

In order to obtain a clear picture of what the early Police Force was up against, it might be just as well to have a glimpse at the crime sheet immediately previous to the establishment of the Colonial Constabulary.

On April 26, 1843, thieves entered Government House and made quite a good haul. Then, to show that they played no favourites, two nights later they broke into three mercantile houses, Dent's, Jardine's and Gillespies.

Three weeks later the Morrison Institute was plundered.

Emboldened with success they made sure no one's life was now worth a fig. The scene of South China descended upon Hongkong, and there was just nothing that could be done about it.

British Law — with a code ridiculously merciful when compared with the criminal code these robbers were used to — held no terrors at all.

Major Caine flogged them, but the smartings were soon forgotten, and as soon as they were released, they were back to their old ways.

Prison was a godsend, situated as it was in the healthiest part of Hongkong, and with two good meals therein in every day.

Madness

No European's life was safe. To venture abroad without a loaded pistol was madness, and no one was foolish enough to go to bed without first placing a loaded pistol under his pillow.

The principal merchants kept armed men in their employ, Jardine, Matheson & Co. for instance employed 12 such guards at the cost of £100 a month.

The reason for the large private forces employed by the mercantile houses was that the merchants had no confidence in the Police Force or the Police Force had formed.

On the other hand, there is the old saying, "you can't make a silk purse out of a sow's ear."

The merchants were willing to back a Police Force but, rightly, asked: Where do you get your force from?

The type of man required was not available, and the police offered as wages was ridiculous.

So the first policemen were made up of discharged English and Indian soldiers, and such Chinese who were willing to accept service with the Europeans.

Of the latter, I have written elsewhere; most of them joined the police on the instructions of their pirate masters, and were able to send intelligence reports of police movements.

The HONGKONG POLICE

By John Luff

The Police Force should be given a fair trial. He therefore passed the unpopular "Bamboo Ordinance" (17 of 1844) prohibiting the beating of bamboo drums throughout the night which warned the would-be robbers that the watch was wide awake.

The town certainly became much quieter, and this suited the thieves. Highway robberies became daily occurrences. Government House was robbed again (July 16, 1844) and the Governor lost quite a deal of personal property.

The situation is best summed up in the Police Magistrate's warning issued on August 25, 1846, a notice warning residents not to roam beyond the town's limits, unless they were armed.

In 1847, the European residents of Hongkong were ordered to suspend lanterns from their doorways to supplement the inadequate street lighting supplied by Authority, but this was not much help.

The truth of the matter is this: the Police Force possessed neither the training nor the moral tone necessary to permit the execution of their duty.

Nor was Charles May helped by criticism from home. Dr Bowring, soon to become a very unpopular Governor himself, asked in the House of Commons what was happening in Hongkong — when 54 floggings took place in one day.

In England, they either could not, or would not grasp the fact that Hongkong had become the criminal resort for Southern China; any more than today your Johnny Newcome, or your tourist appreciates that the anti-social elements who have fled the new regime in China have mingled with the genuine refugees.

Government tried deportation, but that failed, as it made it too easy for the criminals to escape. On occasion vessels were seized and turned into pirate ships.

An increase

Things looked up a bit during Governor Bonham's regime, but in 1850, the Taping Rebellion broke out, and under the patriotic facade of aiding the revolutionists turn the Tapers off the Dragon Mountains, and when they made things too hot for themselves, they retreated to Hongkong.

A Volunteer Corps was founded, and an auxiliary force of 75 men was instituted. But against the huge increase of the criminal classes, and the increasing audacity of the looting excursions, the police were useless; and realising that, became absolutely demoralised.

Should the reader imagine I am drawing conclusions in the manner of being wise after the event, I turn back the pages of ancient records which have reposed in the dust of a century, and suddenly they sparkle to life.

The following is a letter addressed to the newspapers during the early years of Governor Bonham's appointment, just in fact, when things were thought to be looking up.

"Sir—The great frequency and the daring nature of the robberies which have been committed of late, create a suspicion that the means which are at present used to prevent and to detect crime are unsuited to the place and the character of the people.

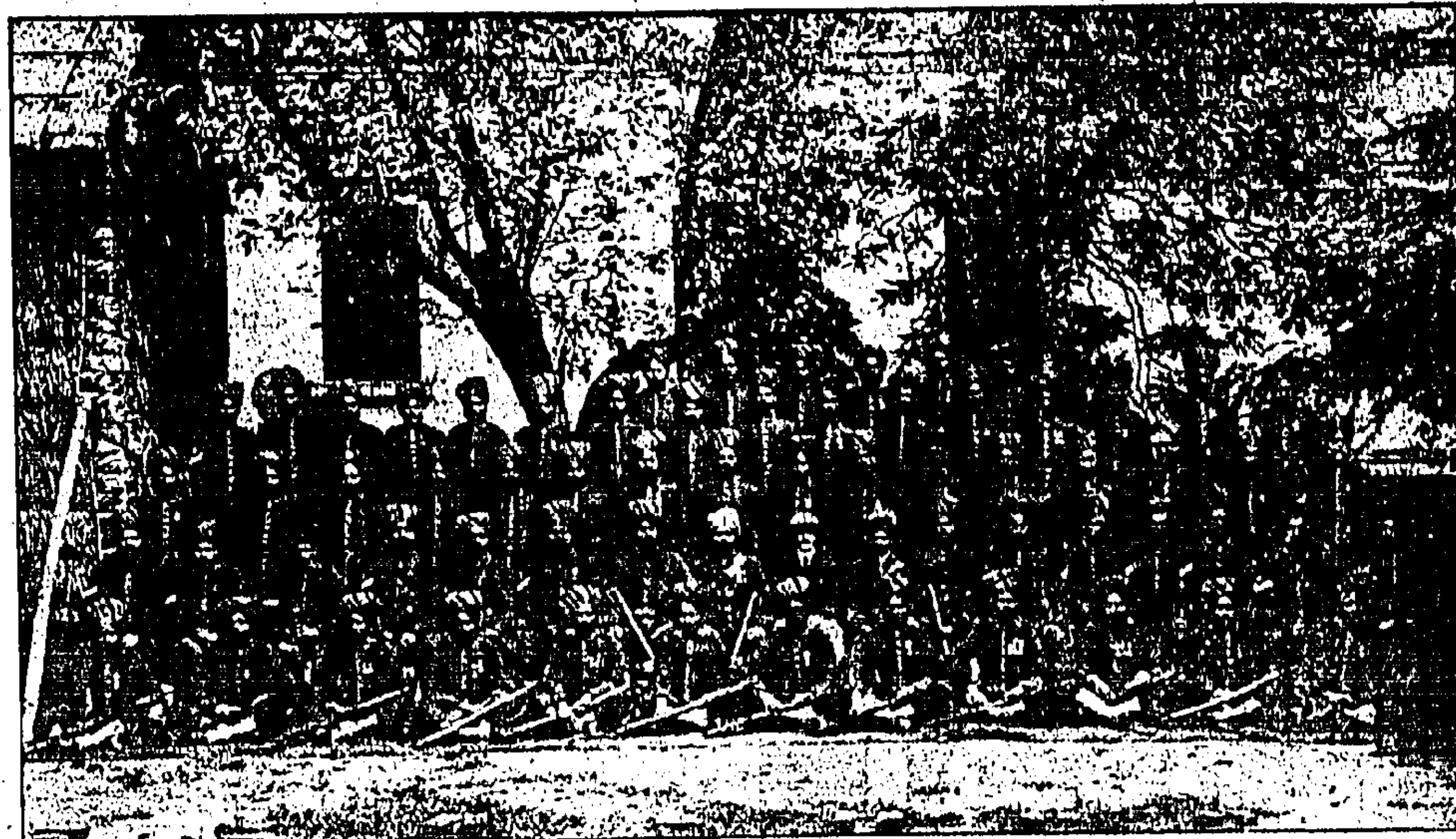
"A robber, who can, in the most frequent manner, effect an entry to a house by breaking a hole through a thick wall, evinces, either that he possesses superhuman experience, or that the police are unusually negligent.

Praise?

"We know that even with the acknowledged skill and watchfulness of a police force like that of London, robberies and crimes are committed; and I admit that no human vigilance can be so perfect as to prevent every robbery, or to detect every thief; it is nevertheless, a good axiom: Judge demands the police force in Hongkong certainly rest under the imputation of insufficiency, when it is known that very few robberies are prevented by their interference, and very few criminals are detected.

"A police system is not, however, perfected by the appointment of a certain number of human beings with letters and cyphers on their collars, and glazed oil-skin on the crown of their caps. The Superintendent of the Hongkong Police, I believe to be in fact, ability and energy, eminently qualified for the situation he holds; in Mr Caldwell, with his peculiar and admirable attainments, he has a powerful adjunct. (The writer must have been referring to Caldwell's fluency in speaking the Cantonese dialect) but my praise must stop with them; the material and sources of the force are as objectionable as they can be.

The laws, also, instead of being, modified to the habits of an insubordinate people, are too often, with a fastidious dread of inhumanity on one hand, and an overbearing perversity on the other, stricter in the direction of refinement and latitudinarianism, as if the



A DETACHMENT of Indian Police — some of the 410 serving in 1907 with the Colony's Police Force. In an attempt to raise the standards of the Force, India became a recruiting ground for the H.K. Police.

Chinese population of Hongkong were abounding in submissiveness and high moral rectitude.

"The municipal regulations are, likewise, defective, and are more suited to the faded elegance of Pompeii than a city of pirates. Nuisances are permitted in the streets of Hongkong which would sully the reputation of the 'Bumble' of the smallest village in the United Kingdom.

"The lives of persons, riding or driving, are endangered by the projection of 'crackers' from windows, or by the long chains of empty carriages running wild down the steep declivities of the streets.

For these evils, the only remedy is to identify, not the places and occasions from when the nuisance proceeded, but the crafty perpetrator, who, besides possessing a sufficient number of aliases to puzzle the sharp cognisance of the veriest 'Sampson Brass' in the whole of London, carries a visage which only indicates his celestial origin, and escapes into the hills, or the harbour very long before our ubiquitous police can be found.

A probe

"During an investigation into a robbery, which took place on Friday last, the large compound and out-houses of the Parsee premises in the Hollywood Road, to which the thieves were traced, were found to be occupied by Chinese of suspicious characters, without lawful employment.

The corners of our streets are thronged by idlers without any legitimate means of subsistence, and our thoroughfares are choked by the same class. Thus the eyes of some unlawful scoundrel are forever upon some unsuspecting European. Such evils would never be permitted in any village in England of the most bucolic and antiquated tendencies.

"I would be the last to advise any needless curtailment of liberty, I have a high moral antipathy to the very idea of Curfew etc, but the subject is a very grave one, and demands immediate attention.

"I am, Mr Editor, your very obedient servant, Scrutator. "Victoria, 2nd April, 1849."

Curfew

But Scrutator received short shrift from the Editor of the Hongkong Register, who replied in an Editorial:—"We agree that the material of our Colonial Police Force is very poor, and that their services are on the whole defective, though we cannot go the lengths which Scrutator does in deprecating them; but as he fails to point out the sources of a more effective force at the same price, we must confess we are unable to discern it unaided.

"As a substitution of a European police, and the consequent augmentation of our police rate, one hundred per cent, we confess to a selfish weakness when we say that it is utterly out of the question.

"As to the institution of a curfew in the Colony of Hongkong, we must likewise take exception to it. Having some vested interests in its prosperity, we are not disposed to drive every Chinese, except the rogues and vagabonds, out of it.

"Scrutator's letter is very well written, but we fear he does not take sufficient account of the consequences of his propositions."

But Hongkong has always had that tendency to take the law into its own hands, or interpret rules and regulations as something for the other fellow to carry out, as a letter to the press shows:—

"Dear Mr Editor, — In your last issue you made some remarks regarding the neglect of the regulation for the Chinese carrying a lantern at night... why is it, Mr Editor, that so little attention is paid to lighting the town?"

"Furthermore, we noticed in Stanley Street that only 4 of 10 houses were displaying lanterns, in spite of the fact that all foreign householders are ordered to do so, and in spite of the fact that there have been several robberies along there recently."

"Yrs. Etc.

"Disgusted."

So complaint followed complaint. The question that arises in the mind is how Mr Charles

May managed to stick the job. He was criticised always, and if not he, his force.

Available

Right from those early days originates that ridiculous class distinction that lingered hard up to World War II.

Looking at it objectively, I find it easy to see where the early Police Force failed.

First, the type of man required was not available.

Second, the rates of pay offered were ludicrous. Rich bribes were easily obtained, no wonder then that the police, recruited from the unemployed seamen, the time expired soldiers, and the very lowest classes of the Chinese, craved in on the job.

There was no system of training, not even for learning the Cantonese dialect. The foreigners in the force were helpless and hopeless when pitted against the Chinese criminal classes.

Poor Charles May had many a headache before he retired, for as one writer remarked in concluding a letter, "Fine Police Indeed!"

SATURDAY

Law and disorder

Dishcloth-and-plaster hoax wins top prize in art show

Ottawa. CHARLIE CARRON, 21, third-year arts student at the University of Ottawa, hates modern abstract art. So he decided to ridicule it and, under the name of Ascanio Merkes did three of what he thought were the worst possible type of modern paintings. One of them won a first prize.

It consisted, among other things, of buttons, toothpaste tubes with their respective caps strewn haphazardly over the canvas, a tuning dial and an old cigarette package, all embedded in plaster and painted over with a galaxy of bright paints.

The picture's anatomy consisted of a dishcloth soaked in blue paint "to make it stick to the canvas."

Two hours

At that stage, Charlie said, he decided to make it a picture of a circus clown. The face, about the same size as the rest of the body, was a huge gob of plaster painted vivid yellow.

"It took me about two hours to sleep together and tried to make it as disgusting as possible from an aesthetic point of view. I never thought this would have happened," Charlie added.

And the judge, Almut Jarvis, retired director of Canada's National Art Gallery and now editor of Canadian Art, said after the hoax was exposed: "I gave it a prize for its amusement value, only not for its artistic value."

(London Express Service).

A woman who has made fun of her husband cannot love him.

—BALZAC.

Heroin, the Caucasian mountaineers, say, is endurance for one moment more.

—GEORGE KENNAN.

We have all been mad once.

—MANTUANUS.

Fear will drive men to any extreme.

—BERNARD SHAW.

He that counts all costs will never put plough to earth.

—JOHN RAY.

Mid Week Selection by Friell



"Are you sure this is the most French solution?"



"Just a routine check-up. Have either of you heard from the British Foreign Office during the last fortnight?"



"This fellow McLeod, is he any relation to that fellow McBoya?"

FOR ONCE, A WOMAN I'D HATE TO FALL OUT WITH

THE LOGAN COLUMN

It has been said about Madame Nicole Millair that she would have been President or at least Prime Minister of France if the gaunt general had not taken over almost everything.

Not that the lady at 38 has any direct experience in politics, but that may not be a disadvantage in the frenetic political world of France.

For the moment she is a high-powered TV film producer, and I know several executives and agents who would rather tussle with a beard than with a shrewd Madison Ave. boys than Madame Millair.

When necessary she can be toughly practical and solidly mercenary — as many Frenchwomen can.

Potent charm

But she can also win friends and influence people by exercising her soft femininity and potent charm — as many Frenchwomen can.

She is a fascinating amalgam of earth and high-quality steel — as many Frenchwomen are.

For the present and for reasons of her own she is not working.

But she said: "I'm planning a new TV series which I hope to make in England. I have so many wonderful friends here."

Her friends include the Duke of Bedford, whom she calls "Jan," which is as close as her Franco-American accents gets to his first name — Jan.

She said: "I have many other friends among your titled aristocracy. I like them as people, not as titles. What is important is character and achievement. What you are and what you have done."

I think she was referring mainly to her recent TV series, "Dick and the Duchess," but I didn't interrupt to ask. It is not easy to interrupt Madame Millair.

"The important thing is that I've tried, and I will go on trying."

"Whatever happens I'll go on working."

I risked a prediction about her future, said that it and when the Duke of Bedford was divorced, she would be able to make a TV series titled "Jan and the Duchess." Playing the Duchess role herself.

She laughed a shrill, sceptical laugh and said: "I don't see myself in the role."

"Maybe I could take over from General de Gaulle as well."

With respect to the general, I wish she could. The way things are going perhaps he does, too.

Two reasons for applause

YVONNE BUCKINGHAM, who undulates her torso before Alec Guinness



YVONNE BUCKINGHAM A COURTESY AT R.A.D.A.

In "Our Man in Havana," is a film starlet who is perhaps more determined than most to lose that suffix and become a star.

At 21 with a few small parts to her credit and a promise of more to come, she announces that she has decided to go to R.A.D.A. to learn something about acting.

An almost unprecedented course of action for a starlet, I think she deserves a round of applause.

The other little she was doing, what all little starlets do—

attending a film premiere. But she succeeded in appearing with a prize escort, Mr Dominic Elliot, friend and escort of Princess Margaret.

More applause, please.

Two reasons for revenge

THE programme for the all-coloured show, "Harlem Heatwave," which opened at the Pigalle recently, carries on the main spread a musical notation motif.

It had been sent back to the printers twice before the producers were satisfied.

Now if you see the programme on a stand and played the musical motif out would come the "Colonel Bogey March," which, as you know, has rudo lyrics.

So the printers have taken their revenge.

Incidentally, the show itself is an exhilarating study in faded, down-staged movement. The finale—few bodies draped in illegitimate kilts—has been frowned upon by some English critics. I liked its gay frantic irreverence.

And the judge, Almut Jarvis, retired director of Canada's National Art Gallery and now editor of Canadian Art, said after the hoax was exposed: "I gave it a prize for its amusement value, only not for its artistic value."

(London Express Service).

WOMANSENSE

After the more drastic styles of recent seasons, German couturiers have designed a spring fashion trend which aims at a natural silhouette.



The 'ladylike look'

GERMAN couturiers are much in tune with top designers elsewhere. For spring they plan to continue the restrained, ladylike look with an emphasis on tunic lines. And taking advantage of the new simplicity in silhouettes, they are gaining their effects with beautifully matched up clothes.

Dresses for spring come in two categories. The phenomenal success of the shirtwaister is still to be exploited, and is now being interpreted for the older woman as well as the teenager.

Fine wool prints are a particularly good choice for both old and young since they can be chosen with light or dark grounds. The more severe skirt necklines have been softened

and given new treatment. Full-skirted dresses are chosen by the majority of German girls who are used to them for after-school wear. Sometimes, they are given stiffening and are constructed on cupola or even full balloon lines. These are countered by the few short jackets which are still in evidence (on suits, jackets are so much longer.)

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For smart wear, however, the slim skirt takes priority, and is often teamed with a bloused top. These are being made in top quality woollen fabrics and are still featuring skirts which hardly touch the knee. German designers are also giving particular attention to unusual sleeve styles which vary through wing, puff and Chinese lantern types as well as classic 3/4 and long sleeve styles.

Colour (which is mainly pastel) and unusual fabrics are the main news in the coat and suit sphere.

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Coats are full, easy to wear and comfortable. As with the jacket, the main interest lies in their length which varies from 3/4, through 3/4, 9/10 and on to full length. Where a coat comes a dress or suit, it is almost always of a shorter length. Jackets, which are often belted, are growing in length. Now, however, the more clumsy type of box jacket has given way to

LADY LUCK

your CHINA MAIL horoscope

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10

AQUARIUS (January 21-February 19): Due to a completely unfounded prejudice you are misjudging a person who is really very dependable and could be an asset to you.

PISCES (February 20-March 20): You will have a very interesting meeting with a complete stranger and it will develop that he knows a close friend of yours very well.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): A sum of money due to you and expected this week may be delayed, but you should get it within the next ten days or so.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Don't be shy about asking a favour of a person who has felt indebted to you for a long time for a service you once did him.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): On encountering an unsympathetic person in an official capacity you may have to defer to him against your better instincts, but it will be necessary if you want to achieve your aim.

CANCER (June 22-July 21): If you feel that living with

an incompatible person has become unbearable, the only way to happiness lies in separation.

LEO (July 22-August 21): Follow a hunch involving the expenditure of a moderate sum of money, provided you are prepared not to blame anybody should it not show the gain you expected.

VIRGO (August 22-September 22): Although you may not be aware of it, a person of great influence is watching your progress with increasing interest.

LIBRA (September 23-October 22): A task to which you were not particularly looking forward will be accomplished quickly and easily.

SCORPIO (October 23-November 21): Having been invited to spend a few days at a friend's place, consider carefully if this is the right time to absent yourself from your work.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 21): By-pass an opportunity for a quick gain in favour of a steady and secure improvement in your financial position.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 20): Your relationship with a friend may be a bit strained at the present time, but no serious reason exists for not mending the temporary break soon.

YOUR LUCKY CARD: If this is your birthday, your lucky card, no matter what game you may be playing, ought to be the FOUR of DIAMONDS.

JACOBY on BRIDGE

"GOD bless us each and every one," said Tiny Tim. "What a beautiful dummy. Thank you, partner."

Old Scrooge, sitting West, permitted a slight smile to trickle over his dour countenance. Four trumps to the queen-ten ought to be enough to set a slum any day of the year—even on Christmas.

Scrooge's smile froze into a scowl when Tim remarked, "I would not want an over-trick today," and proceeded

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5 ♠	Pass	5 N.T.	Pass
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Pass	Pass		
Opening lead—♥ K			

to play to the ace of trumps in his own hand. East showed out and now Tim was able to hold Scrooge to one trump trick. Since he was solid everywhere else the slam was made.

Of course, Tim's play was correct for Christmas and all other days. He had bid six and could afford to lose one trump trick but not two. His play of the ace from his hand guarded against any possible combination of adverse trumps and constituted one of the standard safety plays that everyone should know about.

♥ CARD SENSE ♦

Q—The bidding has been:
South West North East
1 ♠ Pass 2 N.T. Pass
3 ♠ Pass 4 N.T. Pass
4 N.T. Pass 5 ♠ Pass

You, South, hold:
▲ A Q 10 5 4 3 2 ♠ A K 10 5 4 3
What do you do?
A—Bid six diamonds. The hand will make seven if your partner has the right cards in addition to his two aces. Those right cards are the king of spades and queen of diamonds and not the king of hearts and clubs that are of no real use to you.

TODAY'S QUESTION
You hold:
▲ A Q 10 5 4 3 2 ♠ A K 10 5 4 3
What do you bid as dealer?
Answer Tomorrow

ULI-RICHTER: This ensemble shows in perfect style the tunic line—a feature of spring dresses. The coat has the same length as the tunic. Dress and coat are made of a light blue wool tweed, and is braided with a darker shaded blue. The reversible coat completes this elegant motif.

SCHWICHTENBERG: A simple straight dress with low belt mounted to the dress at waist line level, and made of light blue wool tweed. The "over" dress in tweed, has side buttons and a large oval shaped decollete showing the "under" dress.

STAEBE-BEGER: A little black dress for after 5 o'clock wear. The waist is marked and set some inches under the neckline, where the slightly barrel-shaped skirt begins with little darts. Gathered and draped on the shoulders, the top has deep slashes instead of sleeves.

SCHWABE: This light summer coat in grope coloured wool may be worn with both dress and suits. Typical of next summer's coat fashion is the round shoulder line which is continued in the wide sleeves. Pockets are cut into the side seam.

GEHRINGER & GLUPP: Characteristic of the new season's suit fashion is the long casually belted jacket. Here—in a double breasted form—it is worn with a simple straight dress of the same fabric. The material is a pure wool worsted.

HEINZ OESTERGAARD: This Spring suit is made of a linen-like wool cloth in rose colour. The longer jacket, slightly marking the waist, together with the pleated skirt, is very fashionable. A young-looking model which, above all, is extremely well suited for slim figures.

(Sketches by Kammerling)

STORIES FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

A Simple Question

—The Baron Has Knarf Going Round In A Circle—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF, the Shadow Boy, went up to his friend Baron Munch who lived behind the bookcase and said:

"Baron Munch, you know a lot, don't you?"

"Well," said Baron Munch, "I know more than many people and less than a few people and just as much as many people. But what is it you'd like to know?"

"I'd like to know this," said Knarf. "The sky is full of stars, isn't it?"

"It is indeed," Baron Munch nodded.

"What I'd like to know," said Knarf, "is how many stars are there?"

"Now let me see," said Baron Munch.

"Thought about it."

He remained thoughtfully silent for a moment or two while he puffed on his long-stemmed pipe. Finally he said: "Have you ever walked among a grove of trees?"

"Oh, yes," said Knarf. "There's a grove of trees in the

park. I've often walked through it."

"And," asked Baron Munch, "have you ever looked up at the leaves on those trees?"

Knarf nodded.

As many as leaves.

"Well," said Baron Munch, "there are just as many stars in the sky as there are leaves on those trees."

Knarf looked astonished.

Baron Munch smiled.

"I hope that answers your question," he said to Knarf.

"But how many leaves are there on those trees?" Knarf shouted as Baron Munch started to walk away.

Baron Munch turned around.

Thoughtfully silent.

"Ah, let me see," he said.

Again he was thoughtfully silent for several moments.

At length he said:

"Have you ever been to the seashore?"

"Yes," said Knarf.

"Good," said Baron Munch.

"There are as many stars in the sky as there are leaves in the trees. And there are as many grains of sand on the seashore. And now, good-bye!"

"No, wait!" cried Knarf. "How many grains of sand are there on the seashore?"

Drops of water.

"There are as many grains of sand on the seashore as there are drops of water in the ocean," said Baron Munch.

"But how many drops of water are there in the ocean?" demanded Knarf.



"How many stars are there?" Knarf asked Baron Munch.

"There are as many drops of water in the ocean as there are flakes of snow in a snowstorm," said Baron Munch.

"And how many flakes of snow are there in a snowstorm?"

"Ah," said Baron Munch, "I've got the exact answer to that. There are just as many flakes of snow in a snowstorm as there are stars in the sky."

"But, Baron Munch, don't go away!" cried Knarf. "You haven't answered my question yet!"

But this time Baron Munch didn't stop. He smiled at Knarf and waved his hand and disappeared inside an old book.

Poor Knarf just kept wondering and wondering and wondering, for he still couldn't be sure just how many stars there were in the sky.

Fashion Drama

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A special 'quiz' and two major games highlight today's rugby programme

By PAK LO

The fixture cards have again been rearranged for today's and tonight's rugby games, but the main thing of interest today is not a rugby game, but a "quiz".

At 8.00 p.m. this evening in the Football Club clubhouse, the Referees' Society is entertaining players to a cocktail party, and following this a panel of the "experts" among the referees will attempt to answer questions on any and every aspect of the game.

Following this at 8.00 p.m., Waylong are fielding a team against R.A.F. Kai Tak. This game is simply a means of enabling Waylong to test their strength out against weak opposition, before they take on the Club in the annual match. The Waylong pack is quite strong with Leonard and Utley as the wing-forwards and should do well in the loose. Behind them at scrum-half is Wiggott. But there, their strength ends, for their backs are unknown, and as three of the three-quarters are Portuguese, their abilities in this respect are unknown, though it is reported they have plenty of speed. The Alimen stand a good chance of victory here.

To digress slightly at this point, taking into consideration the fact that these Portuguese youngsters are willing to play and that a great reception was given our touring ambassadors, the Whitefield Wanderers, in Macao last year, the answer to greater popularity of the game in the Colony may well lie in interesting our local Portuguese in the game.

Major games

Instead of the originally scheduled matches, the two major games today are at the Club. The first of these is at 4.30 p.m. when the Sappers and the Lanes will meet in the semi-final of the Army Cup Knockout Competition.

Paris, Feb. 9. Britain's Angela Mortimer and Ann Haydon won easy 6-1, 6-2 and 6-0, 6-2 victories over France's F. Bonnard and I. Lefebvre respectively today, in the women's singles first round of the French tennis championships.

The British women's doubles team of M. H. Clarke and V. Cox, however, lost their quarter-final match to France's S. J. Billaz and Mrs. M. Galtier 6-4 and 6-3.

Later Sangster teamed up with Lundquist to beat France's D. Bouthaud and P. L. 6-4, 6-4 and 6-3 in a first round men's doubles match.

In the quarter-finals, Knight and Wilson defeated Germany's W. Banger and P. Scholl 6-2, 6-3 and 6-3.—AFP.

Sports Diary

TO-DAY
Peruvians v. HKFA XI, Hong Kong Stadium, 8 p.m.
Tennis
Colony Grass Court tennis championship (doubles) at HKCC, 6 p.m.
TO-MORROW
Meeting
ASF & OC meeting, S.C.M. Post board room, 5.30 p.m.
Tennis
Colony Grass Court tennis championship (doubles) at HKCC, 6 p.m.
HK Open Chess Championships, Peninsula Hotel, 6.30 p.m.

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB
Special Cash Sweep on the Pender Memorial Cup
Saturday, 13th February, 1960

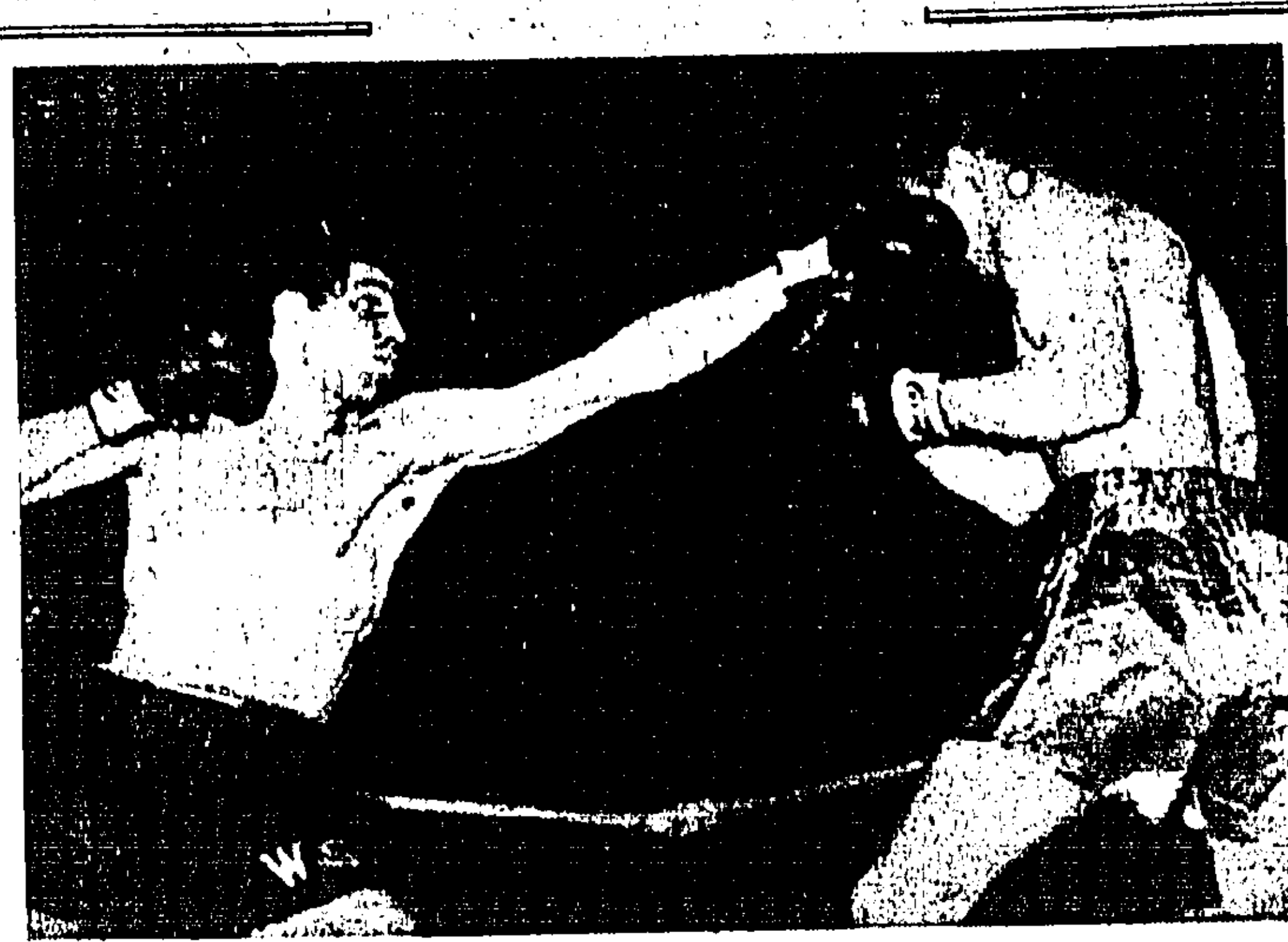
The Sale of Cash Sweep Tickets on the above at the Club's Branch Offices will close on Friday, 12th February, 1960, as follows:—
382 Nathan Road, Kowloon at 4.00 p.m.
King's Road, North Point, Hong Kong, at 4.00 p.m.
5 D'Aguilar Street, Hong Kong, at 6.00 p.m.

Queen's Building, Ground Floor, Chater Road, Hong Kong, at 6.00 p.m.

The Draw will be held on the Ground Floor, Public Betting Hall at the Race Course, at 11.30 a.m. on Saturday, 13th February, 1960.

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FROM UNKNOWN TO CHAMPION



Wally Swift, three months ago just another name at the bottom of fight bills, last week rocketed to fame in his home town of Nottingham by completely outpointing British welterweight champion Tommy Molloy over 15 rounds. Most critics agreed that Molloy failed to win a single round in the face of Swift's classical boxing, though he probably drew three or four. Photo shows Swift's powerful straight left finding its target.—London Express Photo.

Wally Swift, Britain's new welterweight king

By ARCHIE QUICK

Another romantic chapter in the story of the Prize Ring was written at Nottingham Ice Rink when local boy Wally Swift made good by winning the British welterweight championship after being an "unknown" until a few weeks ago.

In fact, it can be said that he was a nobody until he "arrived," and deprived Liverpool title-holder Tommy Molloy on points of the right to make the Lonsdale Belt his own property.

A third notch on that Belt and Molloy would have qualified for a pension at the age of fifty. Of course, he can still take the Belt and pension if he should ever win back the championship which is doubtful after the way Swift so decisively beat him.

True, Swift was Midlands Area champion a distinction he will now be forced to forfeit by rule—but he was only a spare time boxer with his major income derived from his job as an assembler in a local cycle works.

He must have been helped by the fact that Towel had come straight from a winning fight with Harry Matthews at Madison Square Garden, New York, but the performance was outstanding all the same, and justifying all the grandiloquent things Manager George Biddles has been saying about the boy for a long while. Biddles is the Leicester publican who steered Hogan Kid Bassey to a world title.

Still the fact remains that a year ago Swift was a "six rounder." He graduated to eight rounds, and immediately lost to a modest Liverpool performer named Tony Smith. Then he had a run of six successes, but stopped a decision to West Indian Louis St. Boswell.

Now another phase opens up for the Nottingham boy. Will he leave his cycle works now he is in the money? Already the loquacious Mr. Biddles is talking of an Empire title fight with the Australian holder, George Barnes, and he does not seem to care whether it is in Nottingham or Sydney.

There are also hints of European and World bouts in the not too distant future. Which is just plain nonsense for championship is still in the apprentice stage; there should be a large "L" for learner badge on his dressing gown.

I sincerely hope that like so many others before him this modest boy is not broken on the wheel by being rushed into over-matched fights.

Russian betters own world hurdles record

Leninград, Feb. 9. The Soviet Union's Anatoly Michailov today bettered his world's best indoor time set in 1958 for the 110 metres hurdles by one tenth of a second when he clocked 13.8 seconds for the event in an athletics meeting organised by the Trud Sports Company here.—AFP.

FAMOUS RACE HORSE OWNER DEAD

London, Feb. 9. Dorothy Paget, race horse owner, died today at the age of 54.

Miss Paget spent more than 10 million dollars to realise her ambition—the winning of both the Grand National steeplechase and the English Derby. Peerless Golden Miller won the 1934 Grand National for her in the record time of 9:20.4. Her Straight Deal took the Derby in 1943.

Her huge fortune was inherited from an American grandfather, the late William C. Whitney.

Sudden
Sir Francis Cassel, Miss Paget's racing manager, said her death was sudden though she had diabetes for years. She felt quite well when she went to bed last night. Apparently she died of a heart attack.

Once reputed to own about 600 race horses, she spent huge sums of money on bloodstock in the 1930s, outdistancing even the buying of the late Aga Khan.—AP.

Greta Anderson to swim in marathon event

Buenos Aires, Feb. 9. Danish-born long distance swimmer Greta Anderson has arrived here to compete in a marathon race at the seaside resort of Mar Del Plata on February 21.

Today she swam for four hours in a local pool and planned to leave for Mar Del Plata tonight or Wednesday. Miss Anderson told reporters she is carrying a gold key sent by the Mayor of Long Beach, California, for the Mayor of Buenos Aires.

Miss Anderson was born in Denmark but is now a naturalised American citizen.—AP.

A HORSE THAT DOPES ITSELF

Washington, Feb. 9. Star Ice is the racehorse that can't help winning—because he dopes himself. The only snag is that he is banned.

Trouble began for the three-year-old with his first runaway win. Sallow tests showed that he had been spurred on by a liberal dose of benzadrine.

The horse was disqualified by the New Jersey Racing Commission. His celebrated trainer, Tommy Haraway, was suspended. And his owner, Mr. Lewis Thompson, special

assistant to the Secretary of the U.S. Air Force, was told that the horse was barred in New Jersey.

Then the commission found two grooms who admitted that they may have been taking a nap when they should have been watching Star Ice. The commissioners decided that someone must have slipped him the drug while the grooms were asleep. All bans and suspensions were lifted.

Star Ice won his next race—this time by 10 lengths. Again a dose of benzadrine was

found. And again trainer Haraway was suspended. The commission decided to keep the horse for observation.

Star Ice was given several work-outs, and every time traces of benzadrine were found. The commission came to the conclusion: This horse is a freak.

It is carrying on tests because it believes that Star Ice is the victim of a strange series of chemical changes which take place in his bloodstream every time he runs.—(London Express Service).

FLOOD DANGER AT WINTER GAMES SITE ALL OVER

Squaw Valley, Feb. 9.

The 24-hour flood alert at this Squaw Valley site of the Olympic Winter Games was cancelled today after an opportune snowfall. H. D. Thoreau, managing director for the Games, declared: "We're back on schedule. Now we have to go back to packing the courses."

Snow continued falling today and the new pack, expected to total 33 inches, must be packed hard on the 42 race courses. Shortly after Thoreau declared that all facilities were in flood danger on Monday during a rainstorm, the rain turned to snow. Rain creates a threatening situation since it melts snow and both run off.

The temperature had dipped to 32 degrees Fahrenheit and by night was down to 25. It was 28 this morning. Blizzard conditions continued, but that wasn't the main worry.

In fact, a practice course for the Nordic skiers was to be opened at McKinley Creek, scene of the cross country races.

Thoreau also said the Navy's preliminary check of the huge compacted snow packing and holds promise. The pack, located in the lowland meadow, was a sea of water on Monday.

"As soon as the water problem started to subside, the main danger was over," Thoreau declared.—AP.

A good omen?

Squaw Valley, Feb. 9. Europeans felt sorry for the organisers of the 1960 Olympic Winter Games here, and some of them, possibly a little superstitious, said this portends a good omen for the Games themselves.

"We have now seen what nature can do here. We have been shown its ugliest face, now we are waiting for its smile," one said.

Sepp Sulzberger, Austrian coach, said "I feel really sorry for the Americans who underwent such trouble to make these Games go well."

"The place and everything is fine here. It's just the weather which has been terrible."

Sulzberger, French coach Honore Bonnet, and other officials said the heavy snowfalls don't matter. "This will not interfere with our training," Bonnet said. "The track may be a bit heavy at the beginning, but if snowfalls stop as forecast, we would have fine tracks during the Games."—AP.

Irish boxer still undefeated

London, Feb. 9.

John Caldwell, unbeaten flyweight from Belfast, Northern Ireland, knocked out Young Martin, of Spain, former European champion, in the third round of their ten rounds contest at Streatham ice rink here tonight.

It was an impressive "warm-up" for Caldwell for his next fight against Risto Luukkainen (Finland), the European champion, at the Empire Pool, Wembley, in a fortnight's time.—Reuters.

West Ham beat Olympic XI

London, Feb. 9.

Paced by centre-forward John Bond's hat-trick, English first division professional club West Ham United today defeated the British Olympic football team five to two.—AFP.

Walter Hammond in car accident

Pictorialitzburg, Feb. 9.

Walter Hammond, former England cricket captain, who is in hospital here after a car accident, was said today to be "satisfactory."

Hammond, who is 56, received serious head injuries when his car overturned last Friday.—China Mail Special.

The break

Then came the break. Only a week after that fight Albert Carrell withdrew from his fight with Towel, and Swift was transferred from one contest lower down on the bill to substitute. To the astonishment of the boxing world he won only 24 contests. There is a moral there somewhere. Perhaps it points to the present low ebb of British boxing, although I would rate Swift a distinct prospect.

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MCC take on strong Jamaica side in four-day match

Kingston, Feb. 10.

The MCC face one of their stiffest matches in the West Indies outside the Tests when they meet Jamaica at Melbourne Park here in a four-day match starting today.

Jamaica will field seven Test players—Frank Worrell, Eastern MacMorris, Rex Scarlett, Allan Rae, Chester Watson, Alf Valentine and John Holt.

Others in the team are Jackie Hendricks, who was reserve wicketkeeper on the West Indies tour of India and Pakistan in 1959-59, Vic Lumsden, hard-hitting Cambridge Blue, Teddy Griffith, who scored a century for Jamaica Colts against the MCC and L. Mullings.

The MCC are omitting Geoff Fullan, David Allen, Brian Statham and Roy Swann. Raman, Subba Row will open the innings with Colin Cowdrey to give him practice against Watson in case he is required to open England's innings in later Tests on the tour.

The team is: Peter May, Colin Cowdrey, Raman Subba Row, Ken Barrington, Mike Smith, Ted Dexter, Ray Illingworth, Freddie Trueman, Keith Andrew, Tom Greenough and Alan Moss.

Among the Jamaicans, Valentine and Holt will be fighting to force their way back to the Test team. Good performances might gain them places—Valentine in place of Challen Smith, who made his Test debut in the second match of the series, and Holt as an opening batsman.—China Mail Special.

Century by O'Linn in S. Africa trial match

Durban, Feb. 9.

Sid O'Linn, former Kent cricketer and Charlton Athletic footballer, scored an unbeaten century today in the trial at Kingsmead here for the South African tour of England later this year.

O'Linn retired when he reached his century. With John Ferrandi, Western Province wicketkeeper, batsman, he shared a stand of 102 in just under 100 minutes. Ferrandi scored 38.

Trevor Goddard scored 37, but the other batsmen were not impressive against keen bowling and tight fielding.

Best bowling figures were four for 60 by off-spinner Hugh Tayfield.

The teams were headed by Goddard and Jackie McGlew. At close of play Goddard's side had scored 207 for ten in the twelve-a-side match.—China Mail Special.

SHEFFIELD SHIELD

NSW beats W. Australia in hectic finish

Sydney, Feb. 9.

New South Wales beat Western Australia by nine wickets in a hectic finish to their Sheffield Shield match at the Sydney cricket ground today.

Left to make 28 runs to win, the Shield champions batted a second time in rain and poor light to snatch victory before a torrential downpour flooded the ground.

Scores were: New South Wales 470 and 31 for one; Western Australia 203 and 204.

MOST DESTRUCTIVE

Leg-spinner Richie Benaud, the Test captain, was again the most destructive and troublesome bowler for New South Wales, claiming six Victorian second innings wickets for 74 to finish with match figures of 12 for 148.

Bobby Simpson, Western Australia's brilliant opening batsman, took his overnight 88 to 101 not out, after batting for seven hours. He was on the field for all but 23 minutes during the four-day match, and in his two innings batted for a total of 11 hours, 11 minutes. His 161 took his season's total in Shield cricket to 302 runs, only three dismissals—an average of 300 per innings.

VICTORIA LOSE

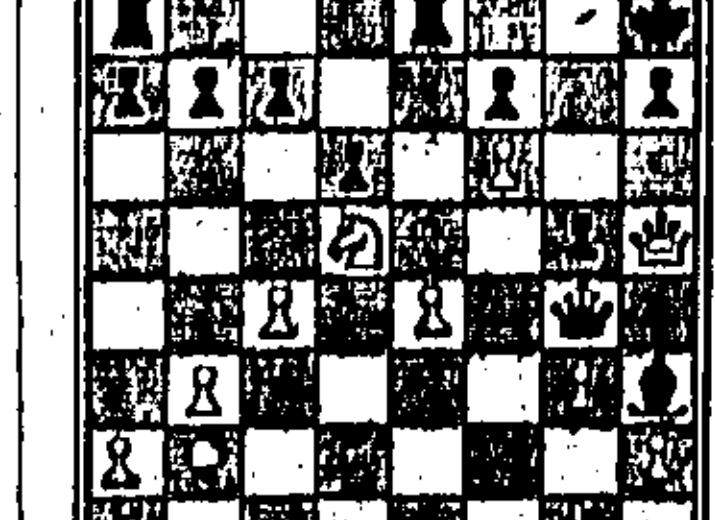
At Brisbane, Victoria's chances of winning the Sheffield Shield disappeared when they were beaten by 78 runs in their match with Queensland which ended today.

Victoria, returning at 25 for no wicket, needed 302 to win in five and a half hours, but apart from Bill Lawry (82) and John Potter (60), nobody stayed long.

Scores were: Queensland 177 and 202; Victoria 143 and 248 (W. Lawry 62, J. Potter 50, P. Allen 4-79).—China Mail Special.

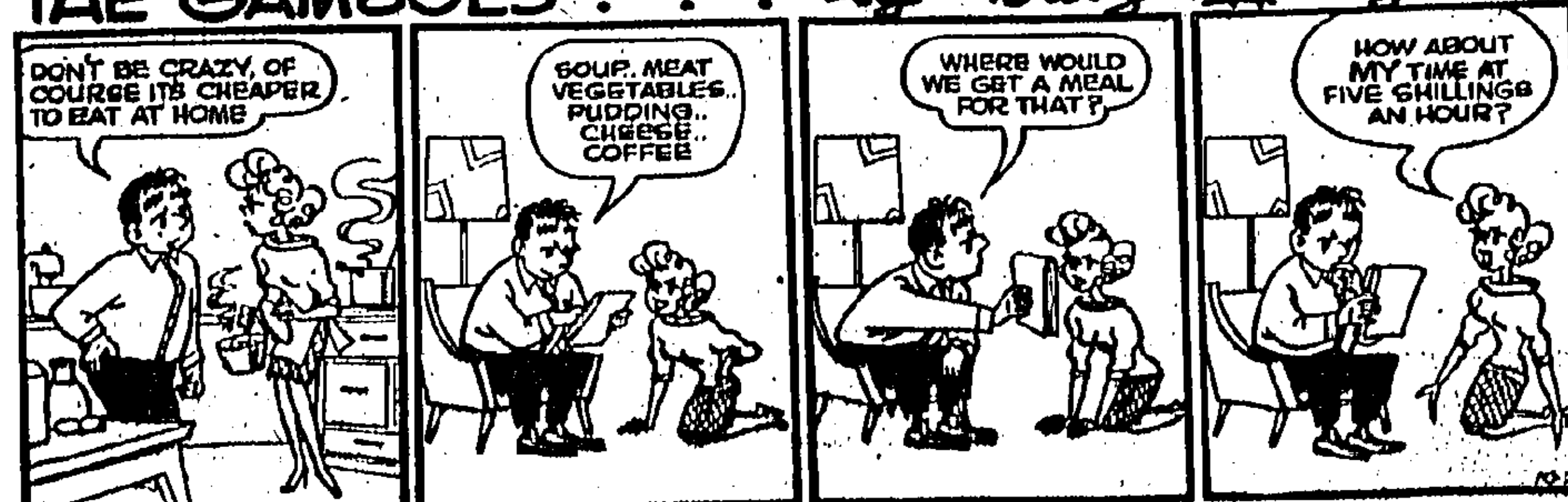
CHESS

by LEONARD BARDEN



Here is a position from actual play: White to move and win. Solution No. 6704: 1. B-Q4, 2. QxQ4, 3. KxQ4 mate.—London Express Service

THE GAMBOLS... by Barry Appleby



AIR-INDIA

"PARIS—dream of a world for which no cliché is good enough"

SPORTS PICTORIAL



ABOVE: The biggest sporting event in the Colony during the last week was undoubtedly the South China Morning Post £1,000 open golf tournament which was held at Fanling on Saturday and Sunday.

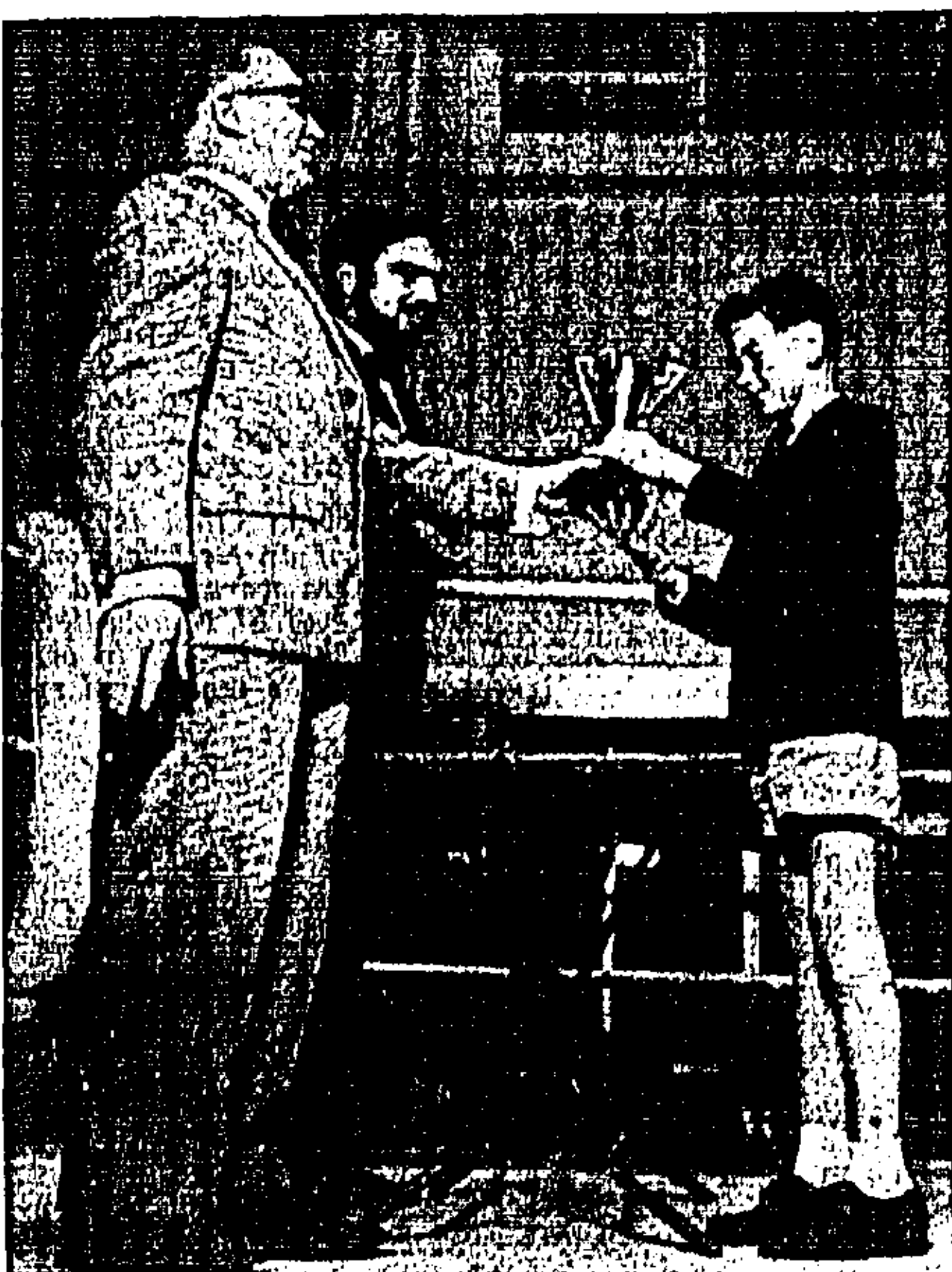
The event was won by Peter Thomson of Australia who topped the international list of 10 professionals and seven amateurs with a score of 272 on the 72 holes. Photo shows Peter Thomson taking a putt on the second hole of the Old Course on the second day of the tournament, watched by an appreciative crowd. Waiting for their turns are (from left) Brian Huggett of Hongkong and Kel Nagle. —China Mail photo.



ABOVE AND RIGHT: Favourites had a successful day on the first day of the Hongkong Jockey Club's Eighth Race Meeting at Happy Valley last Saturday. The only major upset of the afternoon was in the last race when Peter Plumby rode Messrs Cham Shu-leun and Poon Kam-choy's Spinning Wheel to a two-length win over Vigorous Ava to pay the day's highest win dividend of \$65.80.

Above photo shows Not So Bad (K. Kwok up), the top favourite in the Pincapple Pass Handicap, staking a strong finish to win the 13-pony six-furlong race for Class 6 ponies by two lengths from Hammer Mill. The winner paid \$15.30 for a win and \$3.30 for a place.

At right, Spinning Wheel is seen overtaking the field near the winning post to win the one-mile Shatin Pass Handicap event, leaving Vigorous Ava and Neco Boy to fight out the second place, two lengths behind. —China Mail photo.



LEFT: Maurice Quirk, captain of Balmoral House, receives the Inter-House Cup from Lt-Col. H. Beckwith, after his House had won the St George's 6th Inter-House Boxing Tournament at Norfolk Road, Kowloon Tsai, last Friday. —China Mail photo.



ABOVE: Agony is written all over the faces of the three Southampton players (right) when centre-half Page (foreground) breaks the ball into his own net as he tries to intercept a centre from Bournemouth, the Watford outside-right. In the fourth round FA Cup match at Southampton recently.

Charles, the Saints' goalkeeper, and the other Southampton player can only gape in astonishment and pain as the ball enters the net. The incident gave Watford the lead in the first half, but the Saints rallied to force a 2-2 draw. —Reutersphoto.



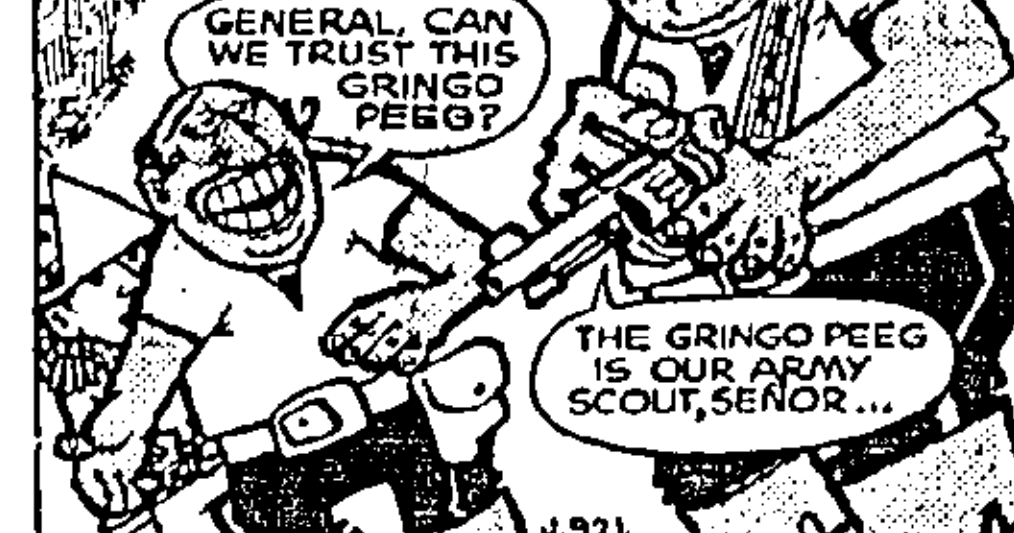
RIGHT: Margaret Smith, the 17-year-old who has been heralded as a "wonder girl" in Australia, won the Australian women's singles championship recently when she beat Jan Lehane of New South Wales. In the final, Margaret is the youngest girl ever to win this title.

Photo shows Margaret Smith in play during her final match against Jan Lehane in the scorching heat. Both players were affected by the intense heat. —Central Press photo.



FOUR D. JONES

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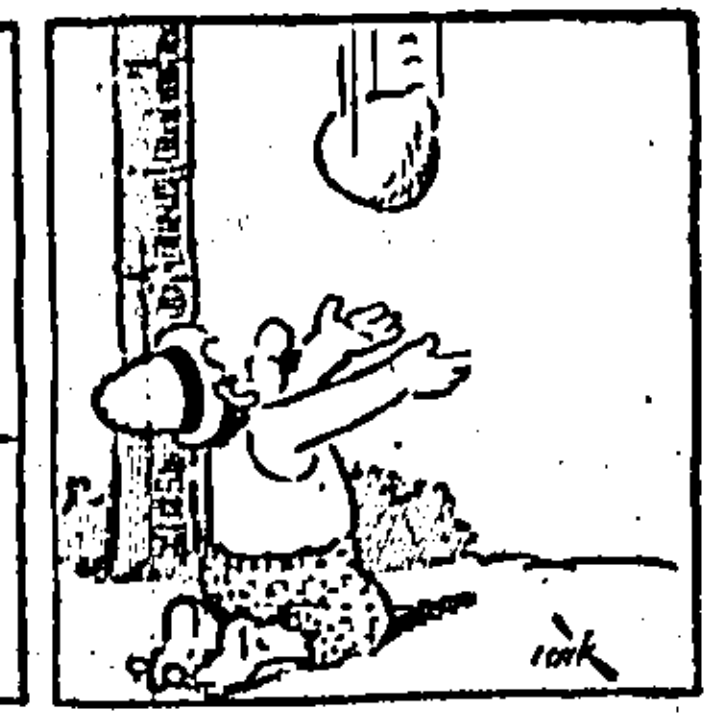
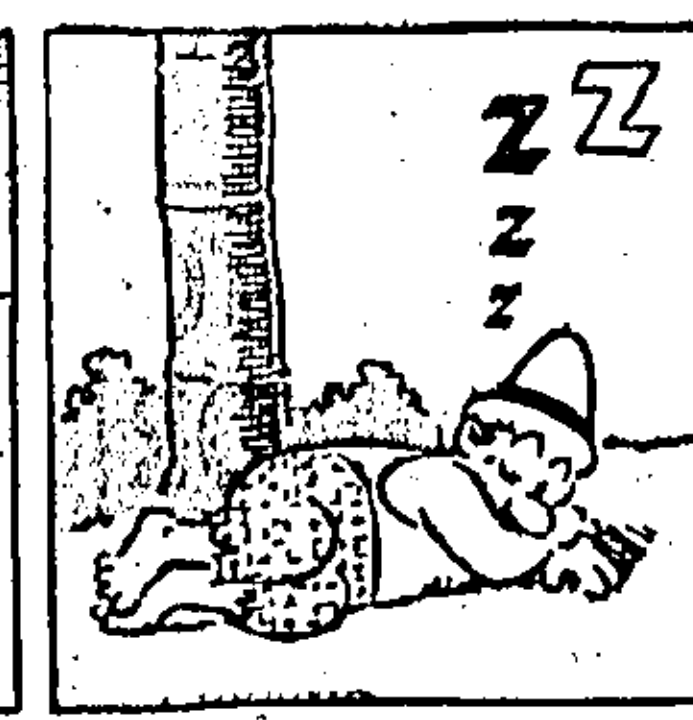


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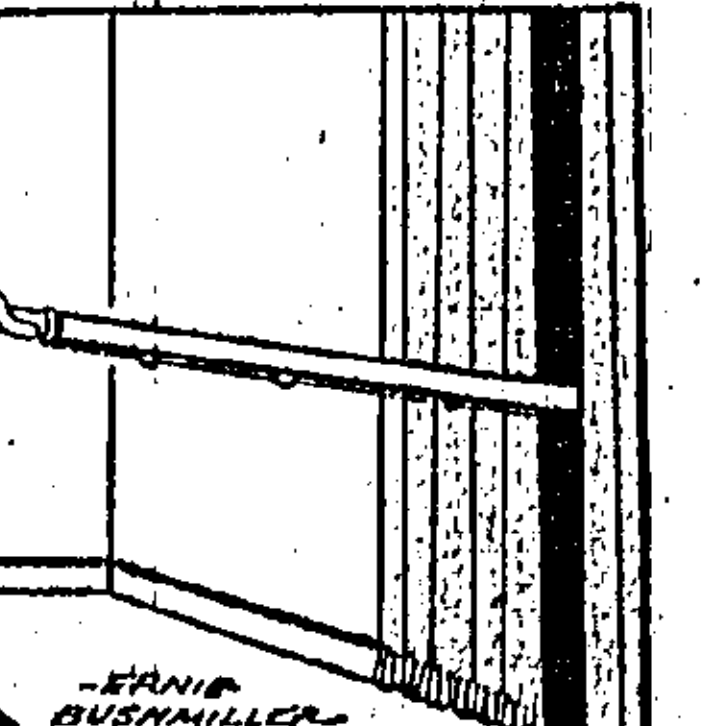
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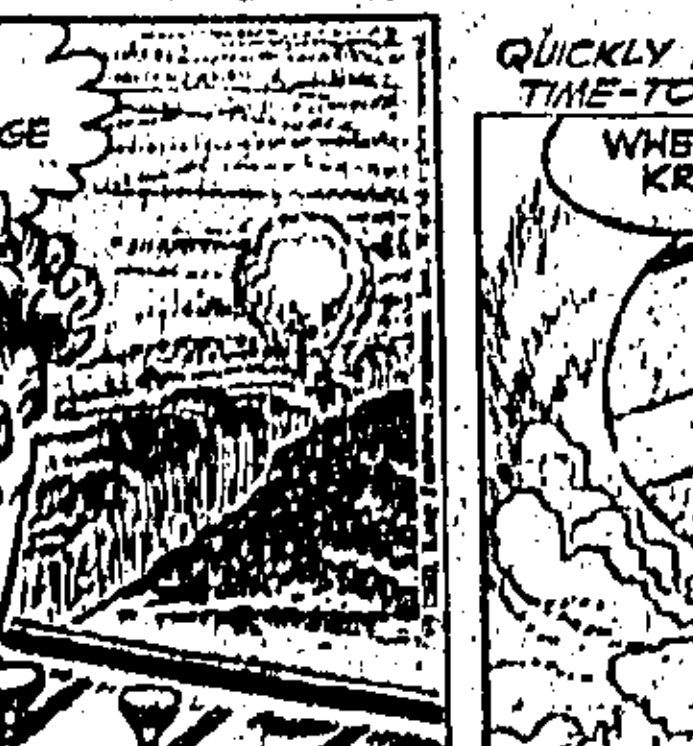
NANCY

By Ernie Bushmiller



BRICK BRADFORD

By Paul Norris



MURDER CASE APPEAL FAILS

U.S. tug arrives from Macao

A privately owned American ocean-going tug, which was forced to make for Macao due to engine trouble two weeks ago, finally arrived here last night — her original destination.

Formerly a United States Navy tug, the Pillia was originally bound for Hongkong to look for a buyer or contracts. South of Hongkong, on January 25, the tug encountered bad weather, which caused a leak through the shaft.

Capt. Robert Albert Bott, 29-year-old skipper from Brooklyn, New York, then headed for Macao.

FLOODED

Capt. Bott said the engine room was flooded and the engine threatened to stop working any minute.

When the tug cut through Chinese waters for Macao, in the afternoon on January 27, she came across three Chinese gunboats. But they did not trouble them, Capt. Bott said, though their appearance worried Bill Lau, a Chinese crew member from Hongkong.

The tug was docked in Macao, but further repairs will be effected here.

The tug was purchased from the United States Navy in Japan last June by Mr. Eugene McCallum of Norfolk, Virginia, for whom Capt. Bott acts as agent.

Her home port is Norfolk though she was registered at the American Consulate in Yokohama.

PILE DRIVER

She first came to Hongkong last October, but left for Manila a few weeks later to tow a pile driver to Guam.

The tug has a crew of four, the master, the Filipino engineer Chico De Paula, Bill Lau, and his brother Lau Kin-kee whom Capt. Bott engaged in Macao.

Diamond search goes on

Police are continuing inquiries into the case of \$2 million worth of diamonds found missing after a flight from Tel-Aviv to Hongkong.

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Walled City heroin den killing sequel

Three men, who were convicted in the November sessions on a charge of murdering a heroin den keeper in the Kowloon Walled City, had their appeals dismissed by the Full Court this morning.

ALLEGED ROBBERY

WITH KNIFE

A 16-year-old student accused of robbery with an offensive weapon, was remanded for five days by Mr. E. Corbally at the Kowloon Juvenile Court this morning.

Inspector Wong Hui-man, prosecuting, said that this case might be transferred to the District Court.

The student is alleged to have robbed Mr. Odile King of \$80 on January 10 at the Seaview Apartment with a knife. No plea was taken.

Mrs. Zarb pays ninth visit

Cairo, Feb. 9. Mrs. Elda Zarb paid her ninth and final visit to her jailed British husband Mr. James Zarb here today and said afterwards:

"Now my only hope rests with President Nasser. He has a family and I pray he will see that Jim comes back to us soon."

Mrs. Zarb arrived in Cairo on New Year's eve to see her husband who has been in jail here since his arrest in September, 1956, as a British spy. Mr. Zarb, who is 40, is serving a ten-year sentence. —Reuter.

More German industrialists to visit HK

A manager of one of the most prominent German travel agencies arrived in Hongkong this morning by JAL from Tokyo. He is Mr. H. Hols, Manager of the Study Tour Organisation of Hapag-Lloyd, Germany.

Mr. Hols, accompanied by Mr. Hans Muller, Sales Manager, Swissair, Frankfurt, is making an exploratory tour of Far Eastern countries to facilitate study tours by representatives of industry scheduled for 1960.

There are seven of these tours scheduled for this year.

The object of the study tour organization is to bring groups of people representing the various industries of Germany to visit the centres of the Far East with an eye to making further business contacts.

Last October, seven German manufacturers visited Hongkong, from which many contacts were established to increase trade.

Mr. Hols and Mr. Muller have made an intensive study in India and Japan this trip.

Mr. Hols said he hopes to see Hongkong this time as a tourist.

"Of course, I am looking for the points of interest for the seven study groups who will be coming during the year. This is my first trip to Hongkong and I am sure that I will find it as interesting as I have heard that it is."

German remanded again

A 30-year-old German, Werner Jennings, of 23 Cooper Road, appeared before Mr. A. J. Sanguinetti at Central Magistrate's Court this morning on charges of common assault, malicious damage and resisting a police officer in the execution of his duties.

He pleaded not guilty. Jennings is alleged to have on January 20, assaulted two men, Chan Chun-chiu and Chan Kar-chuen at 142 Queen's Road East, ground floor. He is also alleged to have damaged 10 bottles of wine, seven chairs and two glasses at the same address. The damage is estimated at \$180.

On the following day at Eastern Police Station he is alleged to have resisted Sub-Inspector Sit Yu in the execution of his duties.

Mr. Sanguinetti remanded the case until February 24. Insp. W. Watson appeared for the prosecution.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Sir,—NOBLE: Still sore about Karen Sun, eh?
CHEERIO.

REPLIES: Anglo-Chinese: Suggest you write to the association about it—and the Supreme Court.—Ed.

Wife refuses to part with first-born

The police arrested a couple in Laitchikok Road yesterday as they quarrelled and struggled over their first-born son.

At Kowloon court this morning, Inspector I. W. Egan told the magistrate that the disturbance arose when the husband, Mul Ying-lun, wanted to give the baby away.

His wife, Liu Yuen objected. This the husband denied. He said they were having a hard time and his wife was "dragging" him in the street to urge him to get some work.

He disliked physical punishment in public and struggled with the wife.

"It was not a serious fight," Mul said after pleading guilty to the charge of disorderly conduct. "We were just holding and pushing each other."

However, the wife, Liu Yuen, said her husband had said that he wanted to give her son away, "but I didn't really know his intention," she added.

Mr. B. V. Rhodes, the magistrate, cautioned the couple for disorderly conduct and referred the case to social welfare workers.



Mr. Finis Davis hands a Caro parcel to a small boy sitting with his blind father at the Old Tsan Yuk hospital this morning.

Magistrate hits out at 'appalling noise' of motor bikes

A Central Magistrate said this morning that the appalling noise produced by motor-cycles was a menace on the roads in the Colony.

"The law relating to efficient silencers is openly flouted and very seldom enforced," Mr. I. T. Morris said.

"No one wants more complicated traffic laws but I believe there is room for tightening up of some of these traffic regulations."

Or the mortuary
"Better to sort it out this way than to leave it to the Magistrate's Court, the hospital or the mortuary," he said.

Mr. Morris made this comment when he sentenced an assistant engineer to one month's jail and a fine of \$150 or another month in jail for driving his motor-cycle carelessly.

The sentences are to run consecutively. Defendant is Ng Yue-tan, 161 Lockhart Road, second floor. He was found guilty by Mr. Morris at the last hearing.

Loud noise
Sub-Inspector Patrick Riley said, while driving his motor-cycle along Queen's Road East, he heard another motor-cycle making a loud noise.

He followed the motor-cycle, driven by Ng, and found he was driving at an excessive speed. At one time he clocked 48 miles an hour.

He said Ng swerved his cycle in and out of three lanes of traffic along the road.

Several cars had to pull up sharply to avoid an accident.

Wyndham St now open to Queen's Road
For the first time in years, traffic is entering Queen's Road from Wyndham Street.

This is because of road work on the upper section of the Hong Kong Street between the Colonial Secretariat and Lower Albert Road.

The barriers at the foot of Wyndham Street and the sick-shaw parking area have been removed.

Food parcels for the blind

Food parcels from Caro were distributed this morning at the Old Tsan Yuk Hospital, to 53 members of the Older Persons Club for the Blind.

Younger people in Vocational Training classes run by the Hongkong Society for the Blind and the Department of Social Welfare, also received parcels.

Each package contained 10 lbs of rice, also dried fish, soya beans and salt cabbage.

The 100 parcels were given by Mr. Finis E. Davis, First Vice-President of Lions International, who is spending a few days in the Colony.

He is visiting Lions' Clubs throughout the Far East.

Mr. Davis expressed his satisfaction at the way that Caro and the Lions' Clubs worked together.

FROM HONOLULU

The packages of food given out this morning were sent by the Kamehameha Lions Club of Honolulu for distribution in Hongkong.

After consultation with Captain Charles Keisch, President of the Hongkong Lions Club, it was decided to give the parcels to the needy blind here.

Mr. David E. Jack, Chief of the Caro Mission in Hongkong and Macao said that Caro had distributed about 600,000 packages in Hongkong last year.

The packages distributed today were bought from Caro by the Lions Club, which is one of the member agencies of Caro (Co-operative for American Relief Everywhere).

CHANGED OCCUPATION

A Marine Police launch engineer who made a false statement about his occupation when applying for a driving licence yesterday, was fined \$25 by Mr. Derek Conn at Central Magistrate's Court this morning.

Defendant, Tang Tack, pleaded guilty.

Inspector T. Y. Yip said defendant had been told that he would have to ask for the approval of the Marine Division Superintendent if he used his real occupation in his application.

To avoid delay Tang put down his occupation as "shirt maker," said Insp. Yip.

Boy's admission

A 14-year-old boy admitted before Mr. D. Benson at Central Juvenile Court this morning that he had indecently assaulted a 12-year-old girl on board a sampan in Causeway Bay on February 2. Mr. Benson remanded him for a week pending a report from a probation officer.

From the Files

25 years AGO

February, 1935

CRASHING into the sea at the height of a blinding storm the giant U.S. dirigible, Macon of the US Navy was wrecked off California with 80 people on board.

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A strange story of an unusual experience was related by officers of the Lyceum when she arrived in the Colony yesterday from Liverpool.

Describing it as the most weird phenomenon that he or any of the crew had ever seen, one of the officers related the experience as follows:

While in the throes of the monsoon off the east of Socotra, with a huge swell running and making white horses, the sea just after dusk changed its appearance and became what appeared to be an endless field of snow.

Above this was a layer of white mist, and above that a contrasting rim of blackness. There was no moon but the sky was exceptionally starry.

The wash of the ship appeared black and on it patches of what appeared to be snow slid past and yet the water temperature was 80 degrees.

Believing that it was the result of an electric storm the beholders were puzzled at the absence of St. Elmo's lights — the flickering lights on the ends of the masts and spars.

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AT the concert arranged by Mrs. Bowes Smith and to be held at the Cheero Club tonight at 8.30 p.m. the following artists are taking part: Mrs. R. Sanger, Miss Wood, Miss M. King, Miss A. Steele, Miss Doreen May, Mrs. Bowes Smith, Dr. Ride, and Mr. Kennedy, with Mr. F. Mason and Miss Doreen Ma at the piano.

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FROM the SCM Post's 25 Years Ago column: Today another stage in the completion of the Kowloon Canton Railway will be marked by the laying of the last brick in the lining of the Beaconhill Tunnel.

His Excellency the Governor will attend and lay the brick, but the ceremony will, contrary to expectation, be of quite an informal nature unattended with blare of trumpets or fulsome oration.

His Excellency we understand intends to defer the formal opening ceremony until the railway is completed to the frontier.

This funny world



Baby's addiction to pipe-smoking

Tokyo, Feb. 9. A two-year-old baby's addiction to pipe-smoking was reported today.

Shinichi Osaka, son of a beauty parlour owner, picked up the habit of pipe-smoking (Japanese style) five months ago. Today, he smokes as heavily as an adult smoker.

The baby is unhappy without tobacco and cries violently when refused his daily share.—AFP.

Isolation of influenza virus

Singapore, Feb. 9. A Singapore bacteriology professor said today he had isolated the virus which is responsible for the current outbreak of Asian flu in many areas throughout the world.

Professor Lim Kok Ann said he isolated the virus from samples taken in Brunei. He said it was the same type of virus which caused the widespread 1957-58 flu epidemic.

He added that the appearance of new types of flu viruses occurred whenever the world population became immune to existing viruses.—UPI.

Atom generator for Canada

Ottawa, Feb. 9. The Government announced yesterday that an atomic generator would be built on the shores of Lake Huron in Ontario Province.